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REPORT

FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

On *Darlington*, &c. Railway Petitions, respecting the Standing Orders.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed*, 25 *March* 1819.

THE SELECT COMMITTEE to whom the several Petitions respecting the *Darlington* and *Stockton* Railway Bill, complaining that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, were referred; and who were empowered to report their Observations to The House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them;—HAVE, pursuant to the Order of The House, examined the matter of the said Petitions; and have agreed to the following REPORT:

IT does not appear to your Committee, that the Map or Plan deposited in the Private Bill Office, describes the Lands in and through which the said Railway is intended to be made, in the manner directed by the Standing Orders, or sufficiently to afford the Proprietors the necessary information as to the parts of their Lands which would be affected thereby.

At the same time, Your Committee think it necessary to state, that information has been given to them, that in several instances Plans of Turnpike Roads equally defective have been deposited, without any objection being made thereto; but that it does not appear that this has been the case with respect to any Bill which has been opposed.

Upon the Allegation, that the List of Assents, Dissents and Neuters is incorrect, and therefore contrary to the Standing Orders of the House, Your Committee have examined into the case of Mr. *George Bainbridge*, and find that he is stated to have given no decisive answer, whereas he expressly desired to be put down in the List as dissenting.

Your Committtee have been prevented from proceeding further on this point of inquiry, as the shortness of time rendered it impossible for either Party to produce the Witnesses, who are mostly resident in the County of Durham.

25 *March* 1819.

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

Mercurii, 24° die Martii, 1819.

GEORGE HOLME SUMNER, Esquire,
In the Chair.

JOHN RICKMAN, Esq.
One of the Clerks Assistant of the House of Commons,
Called in; and Examined.

John Rickman, Esq.

STATE if you please to the Committee, what has passed under the direction of the Speaker, with respect to the plan of the Darlington Railway?—No question arose about the sufficiency of the Plan before the Speaker; the Committee on the Petitions having reported this Plan to be in conformity with the Standing Orders. The first time it was brought under the notice of the Speaker was by the mention to him, in the chair, of an intention of a motion to be made the next day, for leave to deposit additional plans. The Speaker desired me to inform myself on the subject by the next morning. In compliance with his desire I went to the Private Bill Office, and inspected the plan and book of reference, and made inquiries there; from which I collected, that the intention of the parties was to deposit the plan in further illustration of the former plan. The Speaker seeing no objection to their doing so, the motion was made, and agreed to; leave had previously been given to make a deposit of the section of the Railway, which I saw at the same time at the Private Bill Office. The plan was not at that time taken to the Speaker, but it has since been seen by him, since the agitation of the present question.

Do you consider the Plan to be conformable to the usual practice of plans delivered to the Private Bill Office under the Standing Orders of the House?—I consider my experience in such matters as not equal to that of Mr. Johnson, of the Private Bill Office. Before the existence of the Standing Orders of 1814 I held the office of Speaker's secretary, at which time, plans were frequently brought to the Speaker (as required by the several Acts then passed) that he might certify them for a deposit, and reference in the country, and at that time, to the best of my recollection, several of the plans did not materially differ from the plan of the Darlington Railway, now before the Committee. The practice since 1814 is much better known to the clerks of the Private Bill Office, than to any other person.

Mr. *Edward Johnson*,
One of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office; called in, and Examined.

Mr. Edward Johnson.

Have the goodness to inform the Committee, whether that Map (referring to a map of the Darlington Railway which laid on the table of the Committee) is conformable to the plans which are usually entered in the Private Bill Office since the year 1814?—I received that plan, and I beg leave to state that it is not my duty to say whether it is a proper one or not. It is expressed to be a duplicate of the one left in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace. I believe I have seen some of the parties almost every day since it has been presented, and when I first heard the objection to the plan, I think it was from one of the parties concerned (Mr. Bramwell, if I am not mistaken,) and that the opposers wished to have a plan, in which all the fields were delineated; and I think Mr. Bramwell asked me whether they could deliver such a plan in the Private Bill Office; my answer was, that I conceived that they had complied with the Standing Orders of the House in delivering all that was necessary, after the section had been deposited, and I said if they wished to give the parties a more particular one, as they desired, they might do it, but they must have an order from the House to deposit it with me. Since that I have particularly looked over this plan, and all the plans deposited in the Private Bill Office, to see if there were any others like this, and I found there were some others relating to turnpike roads, where they took land

land, not drawn more particularly than this (pointing to the Darlington Railway plan on the table,) and similar to it. There are others, and I believe the greater part, and particularly the Scotch plans, which are done with great nicety, taste and ornament. These plans can be produced to the Committee, if it is its pleasure. In looking at them, I perceive that the larger portion of them is drawn in a more detailed manner. I can produce six or seven plans of this kind, like the Darlington. *Mr. Edward Johnson.*

And how many do you think can you produce drawn the other way?—I think double the number; I believe there are only three Railways, Dartmoor and two others, one of which is a Scotch plan, which is ornamented, and the fields are delineated upon it; the other is ornamented, but there is not so much pains taken with it.

Do you know whether there was any opposition made to those done in this plain way, similar to the plan now before the Committee?—I do not think there was any opposition; they are all reported, that the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Do you, in speaking of the plans to which you have referred, mean plans of this Session, or of anterior Sessions?—Of this Session only.

Are you from recollection able to speak as to the plans of anterior Sessions, whether many are deposited of this kind, or whether they are more generally of the detailed plan now required?—I am not able to say positively; I have no doubt that many are like this plan now before the Committee.

The Committee wishes to be informed whether in any plan that you recollect of this sort being deposited, you ever remember an opposition being made to it?—No, never.

Can you enumerate the cases referred to, of this Session, similar to the present plan?—Yes, I can produce the plans.

Enumerate them?—There is that of Kington Road, Wrexham Road, Bridport, Cuckfield, Marlborough, and Nuffield Roads.

Can you enumerate those of the other kind?—There are two other Railways, the Dartmoor and the Ardrossan. The Canals are, the Leeds, the Bude, the Carlisle, the Aire and Dun, the Southam and the Portsmouth. I take two Roads, the Lewes and the Barnsdale, with the fields delineated.

Are these eight roads, the six first and the two last enumerated, original, or renewed acts?—The greater part I think are renewed acts; but I can inform the Committee with more accuracy if I may be allowed a few minutes to inquire further into the matter.

[The Witness then quitted the Committee room for a short time; and upon return, his examination was resumed.]

What further information have you obtained?—I have been to examine the roads I have mentioned, where the plans had not fields delineated, and I found that none of them are original acts; they are renewals of former acts with new branches.

[The following "Order" was then read.]

"Ordered, That the Petitioners for the Darlington and Stockton Railway, have "leave to deposit with the Clerk of the Peace of the County of Durham, "and in the Private Bill Office, two several maps or plans, containing "more particular descriptions of the land through which the lines of the "said Railway are proposed to pass."

[The petition of *John Armitage*, and that of *Cicely Ramshay*, were also read.]

George Bainbridge, Esq. called in, and Examined.

Inform the Committee, whether you were called upon by any Agent for the Darlington Railway Bill, to ask you whether you would assent, dissent, or were to be considered neuter, on the list which was to be given in to the House?—I gave my answer, dissenting, in the first instance. *George Bainbridge, Esq.*

When was it you were called upon?—I cannot tell; I made no minute of the time.

About what time?—More than two months; Mr. Overton called upon me about two months ago; I made no minute at the time, and therefore I cannot be precise.

And your answer was?—A dissent.

Was that the first and only application?—There were applications made afterwards, but not to me.

George Bainbridge, Esq.

Did you give any other answer than a dissent?—None whatever; my son can state to the Committee an answer he gave for me when I was out of town, but that was still a dissent. I have not seen Mr. Overton from the time that he first waited upon me till this morning.

Was Mr. Overton alone, or was he accompanied by any one?—He was accompanied by another person.

Do you know that person who came with Mr. Overton?—I do not know his name.

Did you ask the gentleman who applied to you to show you what part of the estate the Railway was intended to pass over?—He showed me a line that it was to take, and from the statement which Mr. Overton gave me it would come through the Rev. Mr. Croft's ground at Oumley Lime Kilns, and then enter my property nearly at the extremity of it.

Did you produce your own plan?—I had it not then with me.

Was it shown to Mr. Overton at any time?—I believe not; Mr. Overton was going out of town, and I did not see him any more until this morning.

Could Mr. Overton describe to you the line which the Railway was intended to take over your estate?—He did not describe any.

Did you ask Mr. Overton to show you the line?—Yes, but he could not tell me; he believed it would go in such a line, but he could not tell me for a certainty.

John Bainbridge, Esq. called, and Examined.

John Bainbridge, Esq.

Were you present when any application was made to your father for his consent to the Darlington Railway?—Yes, I was.

At what time was that?—I think it was during the month of February; I am not quite certain.

Was it early or late in the month of February?—I cannot say, it might be the middle or beginning, I cannot say.

By whom was the application made?—The only person I saw upon that subject, was the gentleman who last went out of this room; I do not know his name.

That gentleman is Mr. Cairns?—I believe it is.

State what passed?—He produced a plan of the intended line; but it was not possible from that plan, except by guess, to ascertain how it would affect my father's property.

You are speaking now of what past in your father's presence?—Yes.

Was it in a room?—Yes, in my father's counting-house.

Proceed with your statement of the conversation which passed on that occasion?—Upon this being shown, this gentleman stated that it was necessary, on that day, for him to give a reply, whether he would assent or not to the measure, and my father said he certainly would dissent, and intended to be understood that he would dissent from it, until he was satisfied how his property would be affected; and from that I concluded that his name was set down as a dissent, but how it came not to be so I cannot say.

Your father concluded his name would be set down as dissenting?—Yes.

Can you say whether your father saw this gentleman or any other at any subsequent time?—I believe my father said that Mr. Overton, or some other person concerned, would wait upon him again, but I never saw any of these parties; I never saw Mr. Overton till to day.

Was a plan shown to you, as far as related to your father's property?—Yes; it was upon a small sheet of paper.

Did it profess to be a copy of that in the office of the Clerk of the Peace?—There was merely the line drawn out.

Mr. *Jeremiah Cairns*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. Jeremiah Cairns.

Did you apply to Mr. Bainbridge for his assent or dissent to the Darlington Railway?—I did.

At what time?—I cannot state the time, but I think about two months ago.

At what place?—At his office.

Was his son present?—Yes.

What was Mr. Bainbridge's answer?—He gave me his dissent.

Was that unqualified or conditional?—He begged that I would have his dissent put down, but requested that I would have some persons sent to him who were competent to explain the line of country, or how it would pass through his estate.

Did

Mr. Jeremiah Cairns.

Did you take any further steps to give him that information?—I went to the soicitor, Mr. Mewburn, and told him that Mr. Bainbridge had dissented, and requested that Mr. Overton and himself, Mr. Dixon and the other parties, should go immediately to wait upon him, to explain the line which it took through his property: they said they would do so; and I never heard any thing more about it.

Did you state, that the answer he gave that day was to be final?—I did not make use of that expression.

You stated, that it was necessary that his assent or dissent should be taken on that particular day?—Yes; but afterwards the business was put off, and Mr. Mewburn said he would wait upon him.

Mr. *Thomas Fenner* called in, and Examined.

Mr. Thomas Fenner.

Did you wait upon Mr. Bainbridge, for his assent or dissent upon the subject of the Darlington Railway?—I did.

When?—I do not recollect the precise day, but it must have been within two or three days of the last day of presenting petitions; it must have been on the 2d or 3d of February.

Where was it?—In Bread-street, Cheapside.

At his counting-house?—Yes.

Was any one present, but Mr. Bainbridge?—Not the first time.

What answer did he give?—He did not seem perfectly to understand the matter the first time, but I left the plan with him.

What plan?—It was a reduced plan.

Purporting to be a copy of that plan?—[*Pointing to the Plan of the Darlington Railway on the table.*]—So I understood.

Did he then, or at any other time, give you any answer?—No decisive answer.

Did he at any time give you an assent?—Certainly not.

Mr. *George Overton* called in, and Examined.

Mr. George Overton.

Did you ever wait upon Mr. Bainbridge, for his assent or dissent to the Darlington Railway?—I did not for that purpose, but to describe the line to him.

When?—It was one day after Mr. Cairns had called; about two months ago.

At the beginning of the month of February?—It might be.

Where did you call?—At his office.

In Bread-street?—Yes, No. 45.

Did you show him any plan?—No, I do not think I had any plan with me; but I described it upon paper; on the second day I described upon his map the line the Railway was intended to take.

When you gave this description did he assent?—On the first time?

No, the second time?—On the second time Mr. Mewburn was with me; we both of us explained the line of the Railway, and made it agreeable to him as to the termination of it.

Did he ever assent?—We did not ask him, at least I did not; I merely went to explain to him; and he agreed with Mr. Mewburn, that he should see his tenant or his agent; I do not now recollect which. There is some lane which runs through his property, I do not know in what particular part, and we were to contrive to take it by this lane side, if it could be done.

Did Mr. Mewburn ask him to consent in your hearing?—I did not attend for the purpose of asking him, but we wished to get his assent to it; and I considered that he had assented to it, by our making it agreeable to his land, and by a termination being pointed out.

If you can state what was answered to you, or to another person in your presence, that will be evidence, but not otherwise?—I understand that.

Did he make any answer to Mr. Mewburn in your presence?—I cannot positively say.

REPORT

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REPORT

FROM THE

Committee on *Darlington* and *Stockton* Railway Petition.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed*, 25 *March* 1819.

THE COMMITTEE to whom the Petition of several Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, being Owners and Occupiers of Lands and Tenements and Inhabitants respectively, within the Towns, Townships, Parishes and Places of *Darlington*, *Blackwell*, *Haughton-le-Skerne* and *Middleton Saint George*, in the County of *Durham*, and *Yarm* and *Croft* in the County of *York*, and elsewhere in the Counties of *York* and *Durham*, was referred;—HAVE, pursuant to the Order of the House, examined, and found that the Standing Orders of the House, relative to Bills for making Railways or Tramroads, have been complied with; except that no Section of the Railways was deposited with the Plan in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace, or in the Private Bill Office, in consequence of one of the Surveyors employed in making the Plan and Section having been taken ill, and for want of whose assistance the Section could not be completed within the time limited for the same being deposited with the Clerk of the Peace; and the Committee have also examined the matter of the Petition;—TO prove the Allegations whereof, and the aforesaid Fact,

MR. GEORGE OVERTON being examined, confirmed the foregoing Statement:—And being further examined, said, that the making a Railway or Tramroad from the River *Tees*, at or near *Stockton*, in the said County of *Durham*, to *Railey Fell*, in the Townships of *Evenwood* and *Barony Bondgate*, in *Auckland*, *West Auckland* and *Escomb*, in the said County of *Durham*, with a Branch from the said Railway or Tramroad, terminating at or near *Yarm Bridge*, in the said County of *Durham*; and also a Branch from the said Railway, terminating at or near *Croft Bridge*, in the same County; and also a Branch from the same, terminating at or near *Pierce Bridge*, in the same County; and also a Branch from the same, terminating at or near *Witton Park* Colliery, in the Township of *Witton*, both in the said County of *Durham*; and also a Branch from the same, terminating at or near *Howlish Lane*, in the Township of *Coundon*, in the same County, for the Conveyance of Coal, Limestone and other Minerals, Timber and Merchandize of various kinds, would be a great advantage and accommodation to the Petitioners, and the other Proprietors and Occupiers of Lands and Tenements, and Inhabitants, in and near the Line of such proposed Railway or Tramroad, and would also be of public Utility; and that by Levels and Surveys made and taken of the Line of the said proposed Railway, the practicability of making the same hath been ascertained; and the Petitioners and divers other Persons are willing at their own Expense to undertake and complete the same.

9 *February* 1819.

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FROM THE

Committee on *Darlington* and *Stockton*
Railway Petition.

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25 *March* 1819.

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FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON

RAILWAY BILLS;

TOGETHER WITH THE

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE

TAKEN BEFORE THEM.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
1 *August* 1836.

Martis, 1° die Martii, 1836.

Ordered, THAT a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Standing Orders for Railroad Bills, and the Conditions which it may be advisable to recommend for introduction into such Bills, with a view to a future Session of Parliament.

And a Committee was appointed of,—

Mr. Poulett Thomson.
Sir Robert Peel.
Lord Stanley.
Sir John Wrottesley.
Mr. Patrick Steuart.
Lord Granville Somerset.
Mr. Hume.
Sir James Graham.
Lord Viscount Sandon.
Sir George Strickland.
Mr. Loch.
Mr. Oswald.
Mr. Gisborne.
Mr. Thornely.
Mr. More O'Ferrall.

Ordered, THAT the Committee have power to send for Persons, Papers and Records.

Ordered, THAT Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Jovis, 21° die Julii, 1836.

Ordered, THAT it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power to extend their Inquiry into the general Standing Orders of The House, as applicable to Petitions for Bills, and with reference to Bills for making Navigable Canals, supplying Towns with Water, or for Improving the Navigation of Rivers; the Committee be empowered to recommend what Standing Order shall be adopted, with a view to the more complete protection of Owners and Occupiers, and that they be further empowered to recommend such alterations of the general Standing Orders, as may be rendered necessary by the Amendments they shall consider expedient on the above points.

Lunæ, 1° die Augusti, 1836.

Ordered, THAT the Committee have power to report their Opinion, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, to The House.

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THE SELECT COMMITTEE appointed to consider the STANDING ORDERS for RAILROAD BILLS, and the Conditions which it may be advisable to recommend for introduction into such Bills, with a view to a future Session of Parliament; and to whom several Petitions were referred, and who were instructed to consider the Motion made in the House on the 24th March last, "That no Railway or Tramway, whereon Carriages are Propelled by Steam, shall be made across any Highway on the Level, unless the Committee on the Bill report that such a restriction ought not to be enforced," and who were empowered to "extend their Inquiry into the General Standing Orders of The House as applicable to Petitions for Bills; and, with reference to Bills for Making Navigable Canals, supplying Towns with Water, or for Improving the Navigation of Rivers, to recommend what Standing Orders shall be adopted, with a view to the more complete protection of Owners and Occupiers, and also to recommend such Alteration of the General Standing Orders, as may be rendered necessary by the Amendments they shall consider expedient on the above points;" and who were also empowered to Report their opinion, together with the MINUTES OF EVIDENCE taken before them, to The House:—HAVE examined the Matters to them referred, and have agreed to the following REPORT:

YOUR Committee are of opinion, that in laying before The House the amended Standing Orders for Railway Bills, which they have agreed to submit for its adoption, it is unnecessary for them to enter upon any lengthened Report of the reasons which have induced them to make the Alterations which they venture to propose, or to advert specially to many of the Alterations, which the Resolutions themselves sufficiently explain.

The greater part of the changes which they have made are founded upon acknowledged defects in the present Standing Orders, arising from the circumstance that no regulations specially framed for this kind of undertaking have heretofore existed, but that the Standing Orders applicable to Canals have, by the Orders of The House, been transferred without any variation to Railways.

There are, however, two or three points on which they think it right to offer some remark.

The most important change which Your Committee recommend, is that of the time at which they propose it should be incumbent on Parties, intending to apply for a Bill, to give their Notices and deposit their Plans and Sections. This, your Committee recommend, should be altered, so far as relates to Bills introduced after next Session of Parliament, from the 30th November to the

1st of March, subject to certain modifications, which are specified in the 6th, 7th, and 8th Resolutions.

The motives which have led Your Committee to adopt this Alteration are principally the following:

1st, That it is desirable that more opportunity should be afforded to Parties, whose Property may be affected by the proposed Line, to become acquainted with it.

2dly. The expectation that when a longer period than that which is now practically occupied in taking the Survey, and deciding on the proposed Line, shall be afforded, greater care will be bestowed upon the selection of the Line, and that, at all events, in consequence of the Scheme being before the Public for a considerable time previous to the application to Parliament for a Bill, it is probable that its merits will be more minutely investigated, and that fewer crude and ill-digested projects will actually be brought under the consideration of the Legislature.

3dly. That by adopting the proposed time, the Plans and Sections of a Railway, for which it is intended to apply to Parliament in the following year, will be accessible in the previous Session, and thus the examination by Committees of competing Lines of Railway in contemplation will, on the one hand, be greatly facilitated, whilst, on the other, Parties will not be able to put forward a vexatious opposition, grounded on some imaginary Line, not likely to be ever really carried into effect.

By the modifications which have been introduced under the Resolutions before referred to, it is expected that in all cases in which this extension of time might prove inconvenient to Parties desirous of applying to Parliament, either to make changes in a former Act, or to renew application for a Bill which had been once defeated, a remedy will be afforded, whilst an opportunity will also be given for the Improvement, within certain limits, of any proposed New Line, in case Alterations should be deemed advisable. With these modifications, therefore, and excluding of course from its operation any applications to be made in the ensuing Session, Your Committee confidently recommend the proposed change to the adoption of The House.

Another Provision, to which it may be proper to advert, is one requiring the deposit of Parochial Plans and Sections with the Parish Clerk in England, and some other officers in Scotland and Ireland. By the adoption of this Provision Your Committee expect that great facility will be afforded, especially to small Proprietors or Occupiers, for ascertaining how far any proposed Line may affect them.

Your Committee also propose to require from Parties applying to Parliament, that a Contract for a certain amount of the proposed Capital should be signed before the Petition for the Bill is presented, and a further portion contracted for previous to the Report of the Committee on the Bill. These Regulations already exist in the Standing Orders of the House of Lords, and Your Committee think that they can with advantage be adopted by this House.

In the course of their labours Your Committee were naturally led to inquire into the expediency of attempting, by some general survey, undertaken by a Commission, or through the Ordnance Department, to afford assistance to persons willing to engage in making Lines of Railway through the country, and likewise for the purpose of guiding the judgment of Committees on the merits of competing Lines. But a close examination of this proposal convinced them that such an attempt would be productive, in Great Britain at least, of no practical good. The various local interests of intermediate places, which must form an important element in deciding upon the particular Line which any proposed Railway is to traverse, could not be sufficiently considered by such a Commission, if its attention were directed, as it must be, to ascertaining the best Engineering Line between two given termini; and if this consideration were to be taken into account, the advantage that might be expected to result from having ascertained the Line which afforded the least engineering difficulties, could no longer be expected. Upon the whole, therefore, it appears decidedly best to leave Railways in Great Britain, like all other undertakings, to be decided upon according to the judgment and interest of those who are willing to embark their Capital in them, subject only to the scrutiny and control of Parliament, and to the increased observation and attention by the Public which Your Committee consider will be exercised in consequence of the opportunity afforded by the proposed prolongation of time.

With regard to Ireland, where no great Lines have hitherto been commenced, it is possible that some assistance may be afforded by the Board of Works, and Your Committee have received from His Majesty's Government a Memorial, presented to Viscount Melbourne by a great and influential body of Irish Proprietors, desiring a General Survey, with a view of marking out the best Lines in that country. But although it may not be inexpedient to direct that some aid should be given by the above-mentioned Board in assisting in Surveys of Lines at the request of the parties interested, and at their expense, Your Committee cannot recommend that the Government should undertake the responsibility of deciding upon the points between which Railway communications should be undertaken, or entering upon the extended Survey which seems to be desired.

Your Committee have further to remark, that in considering the Standing Orders with reference to Railroads, their attention was directed to the constitution and proceedings of Committees upon the Petition for Bills. Impressed with the opinion that the present practice in this respect is not to be approved, they recommend that the Plan detailed in their Resolutions should be adopted. They are of opinion that by replacing the Tribunal before which the Petition at present goes, by one constituted of a limited number of Members, whose special duty it shall be to try the facts of the case submitted, and report exclusively upon them to The House, whilst it will be the duty of the Committee on Standing Orders to decide equitably upon the case thus stated, far greater responsibility will be obtained for the due discharge of these important duties, provided, as they trust will prove to be the case, the Members to whom The House may at the beginning of the Session confide the task, will accept it with a due determination to perform the duty with zeal and perseverance, and that The House, in adopting the Plan, will give its confidence and support to the decisions of the Committee on Standing Orders, which will be founded on the facts reported by the other Tribunal.

It only further remains for Your Committee to state, that in obedience to the Orders of The House, they considered a Petition presented by the Owners of Coal Mines and Leave-ways, and are of opinion that no special recommendation is required with respect to this species of property. The Proprietors, like all other parties affected by a Bill, have the opportunity of stating their case before each Committee.

1 *August* 1836.

AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL RULES ON PETITIONS FOR BILLS.

That the Select Committee on Standing Orders do hereafter consist of 15 Members.

That a Select Committee, consisting of 42 Members, (not being Members of the Select Committee on Standing Orders,) shall be appointed at the commencement of every Session, to which shall be referred all Petitions for Private Bills, except those for Bills to continue or amend any Act for making, maintaining, keeping in repair or improving any Turnpike Road.

That the said Committee have leave to make regulations for the transaction of business, and shall divide themselves into Sub-Committees, consisting of seven Members at the least.

That five be the quorum of any such Sub-Committee.

That before such Committee, the compliance with the Standing Orders shall be proved, and any parties shall be at liberty to appear and be heard by themselves, their agents and witnesses, upon any Petition which may be referred to the Committee, complaining of a non-compliance with the Standing Orders, provided the matter complained of be specifically stated in such Petition.

That when such Committee shall report to The House that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, they do report the facts upon which their decision is founded, and any special circumstances connected with the case.

That the Select Committee on Standing Orders shall thereupon determine whether the Standing Orders ought or ought not to be dispensed with, and do report the same to The House accordingly.

That there be seven clear days between the day on which the Petition for any Private Bill relating to England shall be presented and the day on which the Committee shall sit thereupon; and fourteen days, in case such Bill shall relate to Scotland or Ireland.

That three clear days' notice be given of the meeting of such Committee.

That no Committee on any Private Bill shall have power to examine into the compliance with the Standing Orders, unless by the special direction of The House.

That the said Orders shall not apply to Petitions for Bills, which, according to the rules and practice of The House, it may not be necessary to refer to a Committee.

That all notices required to be given in the Private Bill-office be delivered in the said office before six o'clock in the evening.

RAILWAYS:
AMENDED STANDING ORDERS FOR NEXT SESSION.

1.
Notices to be given.

That when any application is intended to be made to The House for leave to bring in a Bill for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any Railway already authorised to be made, or for continuing or amending any Act passed for any of those purposes, or for the increase or alteration of the existing tolls, rates or duties upon any such Railway; notices of such intended application be given,

That

2.
Notices shall contain names of parishes.

That such notices (except as hereinafter mentioned,) do contain the names of the parishes and townships from, in, through, and into which any such Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended, or enlarged, and if an increase or alteration in any existing tolls, rates or duties is intended to be proposed, the intention of proposing such increase or alteration be expressed therein. But in case any such Bill shall be for the purpose only of increasing or altering any existing tolls, rates or duties, or of continuing or amending any former Act, solely for the purpose of tolls, it shall not be necessary to insert in such notices the names of the several parishes and townships.

3.
Notices to be inserted in newspapers.

That such notices be inserted three times in the months of August, September, October and November of this year, or either of them, in some one and the same newspaper of every county in or through which any such Railway is intended to be made, or in which such Railway, already authorized to be made, is intended to be varied, extended or enlarged, or if there is no such paper printed therein respectively, then in the newspaper of some county adjoining thereto.

4
Plan.

That a map or plan and section of the whole of such intended Railway, and also of any intended variation, extension or enlargement of any Railway authorized to be made, upon a scale of not less than four inches to a mile, shall be deposited for public inspection at the office of the clerk of the peace of every county, riding or division, in or through which such Railway, or such variation, extension or enlargement, is intended to be made, on or before the 30th day of November next, which map or plan shall describe the line of such intended Railway, or of such intended variation, extension or enlargement, and the lands in or through which the same is intended to be made, together with a book of reference, containing a list of the names of the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees and occupiers of such lands respectively; and where such Railway or such variation, extension or enlargement, is intended to pass through any buildings, yards, court-yards, or land within the curtilage of any building, or through any ground cultivated as gardens, an additional plan of such buildings, yards, land and ground, and of the said Railway, shall be laid down upon a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to every 100 feet.

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Section.

That such section shall be drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan, and to a vertical scale of not less than one inch to every 100 feet, and shall show the surface of the ground in the line of Railway marked on the plan, and shall also have marked on it a line showing the Railway line when finished (which line shall correspond with the upper surface of the Rails), and a datum horizontal line, which datum line shall be the same throughout the whole length of the Railway, and shall be referred to some fixed point stated on the section.

That a vertical measure from such datum line to the line of the Railway shall be marked in feet and inches at each change of the gradient or inclination, and that the proportion or rate of inclination between each such change shall also be marked.

That the height of the Railway over or under the surface of the ground shall be marked in figures at least twice in every mile, and also at every crossing of a turnpike-road and public carriage-road, navigable river, canal or railway, or junction with a railway, and that it shall be stated on the section, whether any and what alteration in the present level of such turnpike-road, carriage-road, river, canal or railway is intended to be made.

That where tunnelling or arching is intended, the same shall be marked both on the plan and section.

6.
Clerks of Peace to indorse a memorial on plan.

That the clerks of the peace, or their respective deputies, do make a memorial in writing upon the map or plan, section and book of reference so deposited with them, denoting the time at which the same were deposited in their respective offices, and do at all seasonable hours of the day permit any person to view and examine the same, and to make copies or extracts therefrom, such person paying for the same the sum of 1 *s.* for every such inspection, and the further sum of 1 *s.* for every hour during which such inspection shall continue after the first hour.

Inspection, and fee for the same.

7.
Plan with parish clerk.

That within one calendar month from the time when the map or plan and section shall have been deposited with the clerk of the peace, a copy of so much of the said map or plan and section as relates to each parish, through which any

Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged, together with a book of reference thereto, shall be deposited with the parish clerk of each such parish in England, the schoolmaster of each such parish in Scotland, and the post-master of the post-town in or nearest to such parish in Ireland, for the inspection of all persons concerned, at all seasonable hours of the day, such person paying for each inspection the sum of 1 *s.*

8. Deposit of plan and book of reference in Private Bill-office.

That within one calendar month from the time when the map or plan and section shall have been deposited with the clerk of the peace, a copy of the said map or plan, section and book of reference, shall be deposited in the Private Bill-office of this House, and that a memorial in writing of the receipt thereof be indorsed by one of the clerks of the said office upon such map or plan, section and book of reference.

9. Applications to owners and occupiers on line.

That before any application is made to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any Railway already made, previous application in writing be made to the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and be sent to their usual place of abode in the United Kingdom, or, in their absence, to their agents respectively, and to the occupiers of the lands through which any such Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged, and that such applications shall be made on or before the 31st day of December next, and that separate lists be made of the names of such owners, lessees and occupiers, distinguishing which of them upon such application have assented to or dissented from such intended Railway, or such variation extension or enlargement, or are neuter in respect thereof.

10. Plan, &c. to be deposited in Private Bill-office.

That before any petition shall be presented to The House for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any such Railway already made, the lists mentioned in the preceding resolution, and an estimate of the expense, signed by the person making the same, and a copy of the subscription contract after mentioned, be deposited in the Private Bill-office of this House, and that the receipt thereof be acknowledged accordingly by one of the clerks of the said office upon such petition.

14. Subscription contracts.

That before any petition is presented to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, a subscription to the amount of one-half at least of the estimated expense shall be entered into by persons under a contract, binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, for the payment of the money so subscribed.

15.

That no such Bill shall be reported to The House until it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Committee, that three-fourths at least of the proposed capital of the Company has been subscribed under a like contract.

16. Provisions to be inserted in Bills. Restrictions as to mortgage.

That no such Bill shall be reported to The House unless provision be made:

1. That no such Company shall be authorized to raise, by loan or mortgage, a larger sum than one-third of their capital, and that, until 50 per cent. on the whole of the capital shall have been paid up, it shall not be in the power of the Company to raise any money by loan or mortgage.

Level of roads.

2. That, where the level of any road shall be altered in making any Railway, the ascent of any turnpike-road shall not be more than one foot in 30 feet; and of any other public carriage-road not more than one foot in 20 feet; and that a good and sufficient fence, of four feet high at the least, shall be made on each side of every bridge which shall be erected.

3. That no Railway, whereon carriages are propelled by steam, shall be made across any highway on the level, unless the Committee on the Bill report that such a restriction ought not to be enforced.

RAILWAYS:

AMENDED STANDING ORDERS FOR SUBSEQUENT SESSIONS.

1. Notices to be given.

That when any application is intended to be made to The House for leave to bring in a Bill for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any Railway already authorized to be made, or for continuing or amending any Act passed for any of those purposes, or for the increase or alteration of the existing

existing tolls, rates or duties upon any such Railway; notices of such intended application be given.

2. Notices shall contain names of parishes.

That such notices, except as hereinafter mentioned, do contain the names of the parishes and townships from, in, through and into which any such Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged, and if an increase or alteration in any existing tolls, rates or duties is intended to be proposed, the intention of proposing such increase or alteration be expressed therein. But in case any such Bill shall be for the purpose only of increasing or altering any existing tolls, rates or duties, or of continuing or amending any former Act solely for the purpose of tolls, it shall not be necessary to insert in such notices the names of the several parishes and townships.

3. Notices to be inserted in newspapers.

That such notices be inserted twice in the month of February, and twice in the month of March, of the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, in some one and the same newspaper of every county, in or through which any such Railway is intended to be made, or in which such Railway, already authorized to be made, is intended to be varied, extended or enlarged; or if there is no such paper printed therein respectively, then in the newspaper of some county adjoining thereto. But in case any such Bill shall be for the purpose only of increasing or altering any existing tolls, rates or duties, or of continuing or amending any former Act, such notices shall be inserted three times in the months of August, September, October and November, or either of them, immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which such application is intended to be made, in some one and the same newspaper of every county in or through which any such Railway is authorized to be made, or if there is no such paper printed therein, then in the newspaper of some county adjoining thereto.

4. Plan.

That a map or plan and section of the whole of such intended Railway, and also of any intended variation, extension or enlargement of any Railway authorized to be made, upon a scale of not less than four inches to a mile, shall be deposited for public inspection at the office of the clerk of the peace of every county, riding or division, in or through which such Railway, or such variation, extension or enlargement, is intended to be made, on or before the 1st day of March, in the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, which map or plan shall describe the line of such intended Railway, or of such intended variation, extension or enlargement, and the lands in or through which the same is intended to be made, together with a book of reference, containing a list of the names of the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees and occupiers of such lands respectively; and where such Railway or such variation, extension or enlargement, is intended to pass through any buildings, yards, court-yards, or land within the curtilage of any building, or through any ground cultivated as gardens, an additional plan of such buildings, yards, land and ground, and of the said Railway, shall be laid down upon a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to every 100 feet.

5. Section.

That such section shall be drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan, and to a vertical scale of not less than one inch to every 100 feet, and shall show the surface of the ground in the line of Railway marked on the plan, and shall also have marked on it a line showing the Railway line when finished (which line shall correspond with the upper surface of the Rails), and a datum horizontal line, which datum line shall be the same throughout the whole length of the Railway, and shall be referred to some fixed point stated on the section.

That a vertical measure from such datum line to the line of the Railway shall be marked in feet and inches at each change of the gradient or inclination, and that the proportion or rate of inclination between each such change shall also be marked.

That the height of the Railway over or under the surface of the ground shall be marked in figures at least twice in every mile, and also at every crossing of a turnpike-road and public carriage-road, navigable river, canal or railway, or junction with a railway, and that it shall be stated on the section, whether any and what alteration in the present level of such turnpike-road, carriage-road, river, canal or railway is intended to be made.

That where tunnelling or arching is intended, the same shall be marked both on the plan and section.

6. Alterations of line.

That parties desiring to make any alteration in the line of any Railway, the plans for which shall have been deposited, and the notices for which shall have been given as before mentioned, shall be permitted so to do, provided no one deviation shall exceed one mile in length, and provided a plan and section of such alteration, together with a book of reference thereto, shall be deposited with the clerk of the peace, and a plan and section, so far as relates to each parish, [ ] with the parish clerks of the several parishes in which such alteration is intended to be made, [together with a book of reference thereto,] on or before the 30th day of November, in the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, and that the intention to make such alteration shall be advertised in manner before directed, twice in the month of September, twice in the month of October, and twice in the month of November, and that personal application shall be made to the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and occupiers of the lands through which any such alteration is proposed to be made.

7. Alterations in Railways authorized to be made.

That parties desiring to make an application for a Bill to vary, extend or enlarge, any line of Railway, for making which an Act of Parliament shall have been passed, shall be permitted so to do, provided that no one deviation shall exceed one mile in length, and provided a plan and section of such variation, extension, or enlargement, together with a book of reference thereto, shall be deposited with the clerk of the peace; and a plan and section, so far as relates to each parish, together with a book of reference thereto, with the parish clerks of the several parishes in which such variation, extension or enlargement is intended to be made, on or before the 30th day of November, in the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, and that the intention to make the application for such variation, extension, or enlargement, shall be advertised in manner next before directed, in September, October and November; and that personal application shall be made to the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and occupiers of the lands through which any such variation, extension or enlargement is proposed to be made.

8. Renewal of application to Parliament.

That parties desiring to renew (in the then next ensuing Session) any application to Parliament in respect of any Railway, the plans for which shall have been deposited, and the notices for which shall have been given, as before directed, shall be permitted so to do, provided that no one deviation shall exceed one mile in length, and provided a plan and section of such Railway, together with a book of reference thereto, shall be deposited with the clerk of the peace; and a plan and section, so far as relates to each parish, together with a book of reference thereto, with the parish clerks of the several parishes through which such Railway is proposed to be made, on or before the 30th day of November, in the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, and that the intention to make such application shall be advertised in manner next before directed, in September, October and November; and that personal application shall be made to the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and occupiers of the lands through which any such Railway is proposed to be made.

9. Clerks of peace to indorse a memorial on plan.

That the clerks of the peace, or their respective deputies, do make a memorial in writing upon the map or plan, section and book of reference so deposited with them, denoting the time at which the same were lodged in their respective offices, and do at all seasonable hours of the day permit any person to view and examine the same, and to make copies or extracts therefrom, such person paying for the same the sum of 1 *s.* for every such inspection, and the further sum of 1 *s.* for every hour during which such inspection shall continue after the first hour.

Inspection, and fee for the same.

10. Plan with parish clerk.

That within one calendar month from the time when the map or plan and section shall have been deposited with the clerk of the peace, a copy of so much of the said map or plan and section as relates to each parish, through which any Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged, together with a book of reference thereto, shall be deposited with the parish clerk of each such parish in England, the schoolmaster of each such parish in Scotland, and the postmaster of the post-town in or nearest to such parish in Ireland, for the inspection of all persons concerned, at all seasonable hours of the day, such person paying for each inspection the sum of 1 *s.*

That

11. Deposit of plan and book of reference in Private Bill-office.

That within one calendar month from the time when the map or plan and section shall have been deposited with the clerk of the peace, a copy of the said map or plan, section and book of reference, shall be deposited in the Private Bill-office of this House; and that a memorial in writing of the receipt thereof be indorsed by one of the clerks of the said office upon such map or plan, section and book of reference.

12. Applications to owners and occupiers on line.

That before any application is made to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, or for varying, extending, or enlarging any Railway already made, previous application in writing be made to the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and be sent to their usual place of abode in the United Kingdom, or, in their absence, to their agents respectively, and to the occupiers of the lands through which any such Railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged, and that such applications shall be made on or before the 31st day of December, in the year immediately preceding that in which the application for a Bill is intended to be made; and that separate lists be made of the names of such owners, lessees, and occupiers, distinguishing which of them upon such application have assented to or dissented from such intended Railway, or such variation, extension, or enlargement, or are neuter in respect thereof.

13. Plan, &c. to be deposited in Private Bill-office.

That before any petition shall be presented to The House for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any such Railway already made, the lists mentioned in the preceding resolution, and an estimate of the expense, signed by the person making the same, and a copy of the subscription contract after mentioned, together with a statement of any alterations from the book of reference which may have arisen since the same was deposited, be lodged in the Private Bill-office of this House, and that the receipt thereof be acknowledged accordingly by one of the clerks of the said office upon such petition.

14. Subscription contracts.

That before any petition is presented to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, a subscription to the amount of one-half at least of the estimated expense shall be entered into by persons under a contract, binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, for the payment of the money so subscribed.

15.

That no such Bill shall be reported to The House until it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Committee, that three-fourths at least of the proposed capital of the Company has been subscribed under a like contract.

16.

That no such Bill shall be reported to The House unless provision be made:

Provisions to be inserted in Bills. Restrictions as to mortgage.

1. That no such Company shall be authorized to raise, by loan or mortgage, a larger sum than one-third of their capital, and that, until 50 per cent. on the whole of the capital shall have been paid up, it shall not be in the power of the Company to raise any money by loan or mortgage.

Level of roads.

2. That, where the level of any road shall be altered in making any Railway, the ascent of any turnpike-road shall not be more than one foot in 30 feet; and of any other public carriage road not more than one foot in 20 feet; and that a good and sufficient fence, of four feet high at the least, shall be made on each side of every bridge which shall be erected.

3. That no Railway or Tramway, whereon carriages are propelled by steam, shall be made across any highway on the level, unless the Committee on the Bill report that such a restriction ought not to be enforced.

ADDITION TO SIXTH RESOLUTION ON RAILWAYS.

That no line of Railway shall be deemed a competing line in contemplation, unless the plan and section for the same shall have been deposited, as required by the Standing Orders, on or before the 1st day of March in the next Session of Parliament, or of any succeeding Session.

CANALS, NAVIGATION, &c.:

AMENDED STANDING ORDERS.

To be added to No. 3, p. 18:

And, in order to give notice to the owners or proprietors of all broks or streams, the waters of which may in any degree be taken for the use of such intended cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation, in all cases where it is proposed to divert into any such intended cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation, or into any such intended variation, abridgment, extension or enlargement, any water from any existing cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation, whether directly or derivatively, and whether under any agreement with the proprietors thereof, or otherwise, such notices shall contain the names of every such existing cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct and navigation, the waters for supplying which by virtue of any Act of Parliament, will either directly or derivatively flow or proceed into any such cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation so intended to be made, and such notices shall be inserted three times in the months hereinbefore directed, or either of them, in some one and the same newspaper of the county in which such existing cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation is situated, and shall also be inserted in like manner in the London, Edinburgh or Dublin Gazette, as the case may be.

The latter part of No. 5, page 19, is to be amended by the insertion of the words printed in italics:

"And the Plan shall also describe the brooks and streams to be *directly* diverted into such *intended* cut, canal, reservoir, aqueduct or navigation, or into such variation, abridgment, extension or enlargement for supplying the same with water, and the elevation of any such aqueduct; and such section shall specify the levels, and describe the same by feet and inches."

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Martis, 7° *die Junii*, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Lord Stanley.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Granville Somerset.
Mr. Oswald.	Mr. Thornely.
Sir Robert Peel.	Sir John Wrottesley.

Jovis, 16° *die Junii* 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Lord Granville Somerset.
Mr. Oswald.	Sir John Wrottesley.
Mr. Patrick Stewart.	

Veneris, 1° *die Julii* 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Lord Granville Somerset.
Mr. Loch.	Mr. Thornely.
Sir Robert Peel.	Sir John Wrottesley.

Lunæ, 11° *die Julii*, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Lord Stanley.
Mr. Loch.	Mr. Thornely.
Lord Granville Somerset.	

Martis, 12° *die Julii*, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Mr. Patrick Stewart.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Viscount Sandon.
Lord Granville Somerset.	Mr. Thornely.
Lord Stanley.	

Mercurii, 13° *die Julii*, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Lord Viscount Sandon.
Mr. Gisborne.	Mr. Patrick Stewart.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Stanley.
Sir Robert Peel.	Mr. Thornely.
Lord Granville Somerset.	

Martis, 26° *die Julii*, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Mr. Oswald.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Granville Somerset.

Jovis, 28° die Julii, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Sir James Graham.	Mr. Patrick Stewart.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Viscount Sandon.
Lord Granville Somerset.	Mr. Thornely.

Lunæ, 1° die Augusti, 1836.

Mr. Poulett Thomson, in the Chair.

Mr. More O'Ferrall.	Lord Viscount Sandon.
Mr. Oswald.	Sir George Strickland.
Mr. Thornely.	

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Jovis, 9° die Junii, 1836.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Poulett Thomson.
Sir James Graham.
Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Loch.
Sir John Wrottesley.
Mr. Oswald.
Lord Stanley.
Lord Granville Somerset.
Lord Viscount Sandon.

MR. POULETT THOMSON, IN THE CHAIR.

Colonel *Fanshawe*, called in; and Examined.

Colonel *Fanshawe*.

9 June 1836.

1. *Chairman.*] THE Committee are anxious to have your opinion respecting the plans which it would be advisable to direct to be put in, in case of Railway Bills, as to what scale the plan should be: at present the Parliamentary scale is three inches to a mile; are you of opinion that that scale is sufficiently large for carrying accurate information?—Not of itself; it may give a general idea as to any line of railroad, but not for entering into any details.

2. Would there be any inconvenience, in your opinion, attending an enlargement of the prescribed scale?—No, not anything to be called inconvenience: it gives a person more labour drawing on a large piece of paper, but it would not affect the field-work.

3. The field-work must be taken on a large scale, and afterwards reduced, must it not?—The field-work must be taken, and they must enter into the same details, whether the plan is to be drawn on a large or a small scale.

4. What is the scale on which the Ordnance survey in Ireland is taken?—The townland surveys at six inches to a mile.

5. Would there be any serious inconvenience, in your opinion, in causing maps on two different scales to be made of a line; one upon a moderate scale, such as six inches for the general course of a line, and the other in separate parts, on a much larger scale, for examination in the different parochial divisions affected by the Bill?—No; I think that would be a very desirable thing, that where the localities require deep cutting or high embankments, or anything affecting the general features of a country, it should be on a large scale.

6. Or where the inclosures are small, such as gardens or small fields?—Yes; in the neighbourhood of towns particularly.

7. It would not, in your opinion, much increase the expense to the parties making those two plans on different scales?—No, I think not, supposing the parties to have made a *boná fide* project of the work. If it is a mere speculative idea, and they have not gone into the details, of course they ought not to come forward with their project; but if they have duly considered their project, they must have entered into all those details, and it would be only laying it down.

8. It would be a check upon them, and afford proof that the surveys had been fairly made?—Certainly.

9. In making a survey for a line of railroad, if the survey be accurately and properly made, must the sections be made simultaneously with the plan?—Certainly, to form any precise project for a railroad.

10. There would be no inconvenience, then, in compelling parties, at the time that they deposited the plan in the first instance, to deposit at the same time the sections?—No; if it is a *boná fide* project.

Colonel *Fanshawe*.

9 June 1836.

11. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Supposing parties are hurried in sending in their general plans to be deposited with the clerk of the peace or the parochial authorities, would it be convenient for them to be allowed a further extension of time before they sent in their sections?—Certainly, if they are hurried; but my opinion is, that they should not come forward till they come forward with a *bonâ fide* project that they are able to stand by.

12. The great object is, that the parties whose land is liable to be affected should be aware of the intention; then comes the question, whether it is of such importance to those parties to be at the moment made acquainted with the sections, that you would not permit a larger extension of time for lodging the sections, beyond that to which you restrict the lodging of the general plans?—I speak only to the project for a railroad, without reference to parties whose land is affected.

13. Any person projecting a railroad ought to be well aware of the sections previous to his proceeding to carry the work into execution; but may he not acquaint himself fully enough with the line that a railroad ought to take across a country, to enable him to delineate it in such a manner as to leave it with the clerk of the peace previous to the time when he could fairly lay down the sections; there being greater nicety necessary in laying down sections than the general plan?—Certainly; but his line probably will be affected when he takes his section, by finding his levels are different from those he expected.

14. The question is, whether any fair convenience would be afforded to the party bringing forward a railroad, by his having more time to exhibit his sections than his line?—It would be a convenience, but I think that it should not be admitted: they should mature their ideas before they brought forward their line.

15. Do you think they cannot mature it without being able at the same time to finish their general sections?—I think not.

16. Would there be any difficulty in multiplying, by lithograph, or otherwise, the maps of the lines much more than is now done?—No difficulty but the expense.

17. Would the expense be serious?—I am not prepared to say what the expense would be; I really do not know: it would depend entirely upon the lithography and the printing.

18. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] Would there be any difficulty in having the plan lithographed from the plan deposited with the clerk of the peace, and then afterwards cut into portions of each parish, to be distributed to the clerks of those parishes?—No difficulty but the expense.

19. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Would you suppose that four inches to a mile would do for the extensive plans, and that six inches or more to a mile would be better for the parochial plans?—The dimensions being taken in the field-book, they can lay them down to any size they like: they would have to lay them down twice in that case.

20. Mr. *Loch*.] Cannot they do it by the pentagraph?—I think they would rather lay it down twice.

21. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Would there be any serious inconvenience if the whole were done at six inches to a mile, instead of three, as at present?—I do not think there would be any serious expense or inconvenience.

22. It would be more the expense of paper, would it not?—More expense in paper, and a little more in labour.

23. Suppose some of those copies were laid down in parchment instead of paper, would that lead to a great addition of expense?—The difference of the expense of the parchment only; there would be no more difficulty; people are in the habit of drawing on paper, and they must get into the habit of drawing on parchment. A lawyer would write as easily on parchment as on paper, but other persons would not,

24. Mr. *Loch*.] To what size would you propose the sections to be drawn; do you conceive those in your hand are sufficiently large to afford the information requisite to be laid before the Committee?—I think these would be sufficient for the general longitudinal line of section, but for the transverse sections, when it is necessary to show the quantities, or show particularly how localities are affected, I think the scale should be increased; and even in those longitudinal sections, I should recommend that in crossing particular public roads,

roads, on which the localities are much affected, the exact dimensions should be given in writing, to show the height or depth to which they mean to affect it.

25. Can you state, from a view of that in your hand, what is the scale?—The distances in this are about four inches to a mile, I think.

26. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Would there be any objection to making them six inches to a mile?—None whatever; it is only the difference of paper; the heights appear to be about 100 feet to an inch.

27. Sir *John Wrottesley.*] Would it not be better that should be larger?—Certainly it would.

28. Would it be desirable to give cross sections on roads to be lowered or altered?—Certainly.

29. Where cuttings and embankments exceed 10 feet from the surface of the rails, would it be desirable to figure the greatest height and depth?—I think the greatest height and depth of all cuttings and embankments should be expressed, that it should be shown how much the locality is affected.

30. Disputes often arising with regard to the accuracy of the plan, could not they be submitted to a military engineer, appointed by the Government for the purpose of verifying them, without any great trouble or expense?—He must go to the ground in that case.

31. If he went to the ground, could he do it without much trouble or expense?—In some localities he might, but in others I think he must go accurately through the work before he could give a satisfactory opinion.

32. Supposing in an early period of his investigation he found an error in the plan, that would be sufficient to vitiate the plan in the eyes of any Committee of the House of Commons?—If it was a material error.

33. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Would any military engineer like to put his professional reputation in contradiction to that of another engineer, without fully investigating by his own means all the measurements?—If he discovered an error he would report it of course, without further investigation.

34. Could he discover and substantiate that sufficiently, unless he took the same pains?—He would not want to survey if he had to verify the practicability of the general project; but, if he found an error, he would probably go more deeply into that point.

35. How could he discover that error, unless he made himself master of the subject by local examination and investigation of the line?—It would depend upon what was required of him: if he was to give an accurate opinion upon the detail of the whole project, he must go into it; if he was merely to give an opinion as to the facility of running a line through a particular country, he could do that without the same extent of examination.

36. Would any engineer, civil or military, ascertain that there was an error, without investigation?—A material error he might.

37. The case supposed would be that of one party accusing another of having committed some important error; under those circumstances could a person called in to adjudicate between those two assertions give a satisfactory opinion, unless he made himself perfectly master of the statements on the one side and on the other?—A line running to the right or left of a certain boundary fence might be discovered, but the number of feet right or left must be measured.

38. Is there not a perfect facility of ascertaining such errors as that, without resorting to any other means than are now used?—I do not know what means are now used.

39. Persons are brought forward in the Committee to state that they have found such and such errors to have been committed?—That is quite sufficient, of course: in such a case, if I were asked my opinion as to the practicability of a line, I think I could ascertain it by going attentively through the country, without taking the dimensions; but if I am asked for an exact report of the country, I must take the field-work myself, or employ persons whom I can confide in, and verify their work by checks taken by myself.

40. If any particular error was pointed out, you could ascertain that without taking the whole of the admeasurements?—I might discover any great inaccuracy without taking the whole of the admeasurements, though not the extent to which it went.

41. Mr. *Loch.*] Suppose the matter in dispute was as to the section, you could not form an opinion whether the plan deposited was accurate or not,

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without taking the levels?—No; I might discover that a survey was wrong by certain localities, but I could not discover the extent to which that error went. I cannot ascertain the general truth, though I might discover error in a summary mode.

42. Does your experience enable you to state, supposing a section of a certain line were given, what time it would occupy to go over the line to ascertain whether it was a correct or incorrect measurement?—No, I have no experience upon that subject. I think it would depend so much on locality, no one could give an accurate idea.

43. Would it take as much time as the original survey to verify it?—No, it would take less time, certainly. In the original survey, the project not being matured, time is occupied in looking for the best line; there would be much less trouble in discovering whether there were an error in a particular line already pointed out.

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44. *Chairman.*] THE Committee wish to have your opinion with regard to the scale at which the present plans for railroads are given in; do you consider that scale sufficiently large to convey accurate information?—I think it is nearly large enough to convey accurate information where it applies to land only, unless the parcels be very small; but not sufficiently large where it applies to towns or buildings, or small closes.

45. Would there be any inconvenience in increasing the scale?—I think there would, if the scale for lands were increased to the scale proper for buildings.

46. Mr. *Loch.*] Would there be any inconvenience in making it six inches to the mile, which is the scale on which the Ordnance map of Ireland is laid down?—Yes, with long railways I think there would; and I think so large a scale for lands generally unnecessary. My idea is that, even doubling the scale, or I might almost say quadrupling it, would be too small in towns; but that if the scale of four inches to a mile were fixed for lands, and a separate plan, on a much larger scale, made for towns and villages, that both purposes would be answered. It is customary at present, finding that the general scale of three inches to the mile is too small for all cases to make a detached plan as an appendix, showing the buildings on a larger scale; sometimes this is not done, and there is very great inconvenience felt from it, because it is quite impossible for owners or occupiers to know whether their houses are to be taken or not. It appears to me, if four inches to a mile were the scale as regards lands, and if all buildings in towns and villages were shown on another plan to a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to 100 feet, that would be a convenient arrangement as regards all interests. I have been in the habit lately of making the horizontal scale four inches to the mile, and the vertical scale of the section an inch to 100 feet, which I have found to be very good size for the purpose.

47. What inconvenience would arise from making the general scale six inches to the mile?—The making the plans inconveniently large.

48. Is that the only inconvenience?—It would make them more expensive to the parties. The Committee will see that, for a railway 100 miles in length, the plan is 25 feet long at the present minimum scale; to double the scale would make it 50 feet, which, as there are a great many copies required, would be inconvenient and expensive.

49. *Chairman.*] Could it by possibility make a difference of 20 *l.* in the plan?—Yes, more for all the copies; it is not only the length, but they require a greater depth of paper also.

50. Unless the plan is on a large scale, is not inconvenience likely to arise from parties not being aware whether their land lies within the 100 yards allowed for deviation?—Not for lands, if the plan be a proper one; and whenever a deviation of 100 yards would produce any injury, and the party wishes to confine the promoters of a measure, he applies, and in many instances obtains a clause confining the promoters to within 50 yards, for instance, in a particular spot: but the power to take land is confined to the property included in the book of reference; unless so referred to, the property cannot be taken, though within the 100 yards.

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51. Would there be any objection to having plans upon a larger scale even than the six inches, for the different parochial divisions, one plan for each parochial division, which would be placed in the parish for inspection by parties?—It might be done, but would cause a considerable addition to the labour of depositing, and the difficulty of strict compliance would be considerable.

52. That could be done?—Yes, except for the reasons I have stated.

53. Would that be attended with much increase of expense?—No; if it were confined to one plan only of the portion of the line in the parish. There is an evil in making the general plan unnecessarily large; parties will become more sparing with regard to the copies they issue, and the general circulation with regard to plans and the liberality of giving copies will be more confined. I have stated that three inches to the mile is the present minimum scale, and that I have found four inches to the mile a good practical scale, and that I always make them so now.

54. Having stated also that when you come to small inclosures and gardens, and still more when you come into towns and villages, it is impossible on a scale of four inches to understand the plan?—It is.

55. There would be no difficulty, in your opinion, in having a plan on a considerably larger scale for each particular parish of the line, as far as it passed through that parish?—There would be no difficulty, unless it was extended very much.

56. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] Would there be any difficulty in lithographing the whole plan, and cutting it into sections of each parish, and depositing those with the clerk of the parish?—Not at all, if the scale were not too large.

57. Provided the scale was different between that which was lodged with the clerk of the peace, and that which was lodged with the clerk of the parish, the expense will be materially increased, would it not?—No; if the parish deposit were to contain the part in the parish only, there would be but one set to make of the large scale; but that deposited with the clerk of the peace of the county would extend, I apprehend to all the copies. I think that it will appear from the plan for the Cambridge Railway, for instance, that the four inches for land, and a much larger scale for buildings and small inclosures, would best meet the case.

58. Should not the whole be on a large scale, and then the surveys of the different parishes cut out and deposited in those respective parishes?—If there was one copy to each parish, the expense would not be increased considerably by the size; but considering the number that are given away on application, and to be deposited, if they were all on a large scale the expense would be enormous.

59. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Would that head of expense be increased 200 *l.* or 300 *l.* by their being on a large scale?—£. 200 or 300 *l.* would do it, no doubt; but according to my idea of it, even doubling the scale would not make it adequate in towns.

60. Mr. *Thornely*.] On what scale do you take your original plans?—Various; from eight inches to the mile to 20.

61. Lord *G. Somerset*.] Would there be any difficulty in making the plans on parchment instead of paper?—No, none, beyond the extra expense of the parchment, for small plans upon one skin, but very considerable for large plans. The plan before the Committee is on paper on canvass, which appears to answer the purpose very well; it would have been much heavier on parchment, and perhaps more indistinct where it was worn than the paper is now.

62. You are of opinion that strong paper, on canvass, is the best material you can have for a plan?—Yes; it would be more difficult to join sheets of parchment than sheets of paper; we can get paper to any length, and it is easily joined.

63. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] You propose four inches to the mile in lands, with what increase in towns and villages?—Not less than 16 inches per mile; if the rule could be made general, so as to make 16 inches the minimum for buildings, it would be desirable. There has been in the present session of Parliament a plan for coming quite into London, in which there was no large scale deposited, it was all at three inches and one-tenth to the mile; it was impossible to see what property would be affected.

64. *Chairman*.] Is it the case that when a plan is drawn and deposited with

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the clerk of the peace, the sections are made simultaneously with it?—They are always; the standing orders at present require the section.

65. Is it the fact that no plan can be accurately made as a survey, without the sections being simultaneously made?—The plan may be made without the sections, but it is impossible to fix the proper line of a railway without taking the levels of the ground, and making the section as well as the plan of the ground.

66. So that in fact the sections must be prepared before the correctness or propriety of the line can be ascertained?—Yes.

67. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Would the engineer on behalf of the promoters of a measure, be convenienced by having a further extension of time within which they might lodge the sections beyond that to which they were restricted in lodging the general line?—No, I think it would be no convenience at all.

68. Lord *Stanley*.] You think that any well-considered plan which ought to be deposited in the clerk of the peace's office ought to be accompanied with the sections?—I do.

69. And that the sections ought to be complete before it; the plan ought to be deposited even as a notice?—Certainly.

70. That in short, without having ascertained the sections, an engineer cannot be certain that he has fixed on the proper line?—No doubt of it.

71. You are clear that whatever time is fixed by the House of Commons for depositing the plan of the line, ought to be the time for depositing the sections?—I think so.

72. In making the sections, the difference of scale is of course of greater importance than in the plan, inasmuch as you have to deal with smaller distances?—Certainly; for that reason we do not in practice make the vertical scale the same as the horizontal scale; we have one scale for horizontal lines and another for vertical lines, so that all the sections laid before Committees of the House of Commons are caricatured.

73. The standing orders of the House require only the same scale for the vertical and the horizontal lines?—Yes, that is so; they do not state the vertical scale for the section at all.

74. Would you consider it important that the standing orders of the House should fix the minimum scale, both with regard to the vertical and the horizontal lines of section?—I should.

75. Would you recommend the minimum should be the same in both cases, or would there be an inconvenience in making the horizontal scale as large as would be necessary for the vertical scale, in order to give a due notice of the levels?—There would be great inconvenience; it would be quite impracticable to do so if it be intended by the section to show what is proposed as to levels in the formation of the railway.

76. What scale would you recommend for horizontal lines and for vertical lines?—I should make the horizontal scale for the section the same as the scale for the plan, and the vertical scale not less than an inch to 100 feet, that is about four feet five inches to a mile in height. I name that merely to show the Committee, that it would be extremely inconvenient to make the plan or the lengths upon the section to so large a scale as is required for heights.

77. Do you think an inch to 100 feet would give you sufficient accuracy in the difference of five or six feet in crossing a highway or a canal which might be affected?—Yes, it would nearly; but I think it would be desirable if the height were figured at the principal crossings throughout. The present standing order requires it shall be "described in feet and inches," but it does not state at what distances those descriptions of feet and inches are to take place, and it has sometimes been considered that if there be a scale divided into feet, that is enough, without marking it in figures or words at all. I think that is not enough, and that it would be very desirable, where it crosses what are important public roads, rivers and otherwise, to state the height of the surface of the proposed railway above or below the present level.

78. Would you take it above the present level of the road you were crossing, or mark it over the base line?—I think it is better in the case that is referred to not to trust to the base line only, because the base line as in the plan (Manchester and Leeds) which the honourable Chairman has before him, the datum line is probably taken from a point near Manchester or Leeds, and the road

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surveyor may only wish to know how his road is to be affected, but he cannot go back to the datum point; his only interest is how his particular road will be affected, and describing a datum, the level, as compared with a point which is perhaps 20 miles off, gives him no assistance, he must trust to the section.

79. Would it not be advantageous, for the purpose of making comparisons as to the different levels in cases of crossing roads, canals or streams, that the height both of the canal or road to be crossed, and also the railroad above the base line, should be given; the base line being in all cases referred to, if the height of the canal to be crossed above the base line, and also the height of the railroad above the base line, were given, would not that at once give an accurate designation of the difference between the two levels, and also facilitate a comparison with other parts of the line?—Yes, it would; and I do not think that the marking the difference between any road to be crossed and the proposed railway in the way I have described, in feet and inches, would give that general information that has been referred to, without a reference to a datum line. There are two objects to be obtained; the one is, that information that has been referred to, as to the general plan and design of the proposed measure, and the other is the particular way in which lands or roads are to be affected. For the distinct understanding, these should be considered separately; in the latter case, referring to a datum line does not give much assistance. What I should take the liberty of suggesting would be, that on the deposited section, the heights of the surface of the road above or below a datum line applicable to the whole length of the railway, should be marked at each change of inclination; that the rate of inclination or gradients also should be noted thereon, and that such datum line be particularly described in the section, so that it may be referred to.

80. Would there be no fear, if the standing orders should require that every information should be given by references to the base line in figures, that the section would be unnecessarily crowded with figures, and that an accidental omission might constitute a violation of the standing orders, which would be fatal to the Bill?—I do not think it would be crowded, because in a railway of 50 miles long we have not perhaps 20 different inclinations; the making them at every point where the inclination changes would in such a case, therefore, give only somewhat like 20 or 30 figures in the whole of the 50 miles. This would convey a most distinct idea of what the greatest elevation of the railway is above the datum line, and what the future inclinations of the railway are proposed to be, which is not at present noted anywhere. If we do it at all now, we do it gratuitously.

81. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Would you also mark in figures the elevations of all the crossings of the turnpike-roads, highways, streams, rivers, canals, railway, or other means of public communication?—I should; and in addition to that, I think somewhat like two or three heights in each mile of length.

82. Two statements of figures?—Yes.

83. In every mile?—Yes.

84. *Chairman.*] You would mark that elevation of the railway above or below the present surface?—Yes.

85. Lord *Stanley.*] And also one above the base line?—Yes, at every change of inclination.

86. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What would you say ought to be considered the surface in making this measurement?—Where we cross the land only, it would be the surface of the land; where we cross a canal, I should think the top water of that canal; where we cross roads, I should take the surface of the centre of that road.

87. Lord *Stanley.*] When you cross a river subject to floods or a considerable fall of water, what level would you desire then?—Then it would be better to refer to some determined point upon the nearest bridge, for instance; but there is more difficulty in rivers, as there may be no well-defined point; if, however, you have the surface of the land marked by two figures, that is to say, by two heights in each mile, and the inclinations of the railway, it would not be difficult to know what is intended to be done in crossing the river. I have known sections presented to the House of Commons in which a base line was drawn, and not one word said what the datum or starting

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point was; it was altogether an assumed or artificial level, having no reference to any real standard point, and therefore impossible to be checked correctly.

88. Would not the difficulty with regard to the river be obviated, if it were required in that case that the height above the base line, both of the river and of the railroad, should be marked; because by that means it would be clearly ascertainable what you had taken as the ordinary level of the surface water?—Yes, that would do very well, and perhaps is as good a way of doing it as the other; but it would still oblige a person to go back to the datum line in order to try its accuracy, and therefore there should be a nearer point of reference also.

89. It would prevent a cavil, if there were any cavil as to what the ordinary surface of the river was?—Yes.

90. By there being a reference to the base line?—Yes, or to some fixed point.

91. You would not think it was imposing any unnecessary or vexatious difficulty in your way as an engineer, if you were called upon to furnish all the information upon the section to which the Committee have now referred, and the Bill was liable to be thrown out upon your failure to comply with those conditions?—No, I should not; because it does not appear to me that I should have inflicted upon myself or the surveyors more than what a fair developement of the plan would require of me, and what every respectable engineer or surveyor would willingly do; and in case of an omission, if it were shown to be merely an omission, I presume the Standing Orders' Committee would not be so very rigid upon it.

92. The question is, to draw the line in such a manner as to prevent your coming before the Standing Orders' Committee at all?—There will always be some point or other left for the Standing Orders' Committee, do the best you can. It appears to me, the mode I have taken the liberty of suggesting would really be simple and defined, and we should have no difficulty about understanding it.

93. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] You have stated 100 feet to an inch; should you have any objection to take 60 feet to an inch for your vertical line?—No; but the Committee will pardon my saying, that, at present, although we comply with the standing orders in depositing a section showing the height, yet when we get clear off and obtain an Act, we do not so much mind our section.

94. If the Bill is passed, as it was in the Birmingham, and your section found defective, what would you do then?—Then we must do the best we can in such a case as that; but if we get out of the lion's paw and get an Act, there is nothing that binds us to the section afterwards, unless there be words in the Act for particular places.

95. Lord *Stanley*.] When you have got an Act, you do not want to set bounds and sections?—No, the standing orders do not bind us. The only way I know would be an application to the Court of Chancery for an injunction, which is a very serious point; and then, unless the case were very glaring, the Court would refer to the Act and might not interfere. The plan limits to 100 yards deviation, but there is no limitation as to levels.

96. *Chairman*,] Would there be any very serious inconvenience in binding you to the section?—There would be an inconvenience in binding us very strictly, without a little elbow room; but I should say to be unbound altogether is not good.

97. What is the elbow-room you wish?—It has been suggested from three to five feet each way; perhaps that is ample. I think, as regards land, five feet would not be, generally speaking, very injurious to the landowner; but as regards the roads and bridges, the latitude would be too great.

98. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] On the other hand, with regard to some part of the works, you would find great inconvenience in being confined to that section?—I think if you were to state the maximum of the deviation to be five feet, or even three, we ought not to complain.

99. *Chairman*.] Within your experience has there been much deviation from the sections deposited?—Yes.

100. Has it been attended with a great deal of inconvenience to the landowners and the roads and bridges?—Sometimes it has, considerable.

101. Remonstrances have been made?—Yes, the parties have complained.

102. What was the result?—We should deal with the complainant in the best

best way we could, and endeavour to please him; but still the section would not bind us,

103. Lord *Stanley.*] Do you wish to state you would have upon the Bill, upon exhibiting a height of 16 feet, the consent of the trustees of the turnpike road to cross the road, and you would afterwards feel yourself at liberty to deviate from that 16 feet, and reduce it possibly to 11 or 12, unless there was a clause in the Bill with reference to that particular turnpike road?—Yes, so far as the obligation by the section goes; the Act supersedes the standing orders.

104. What would be the remedy which the trustees of that road would have against the railway company?—The only remedy that I know of would be to apply to the Court of Chancery, and then the redress would be very doubtful.

105. The assent of the trustees of a public body being obtained in the first instance upon a representation of a specific height being left to them, you would afterwards be enabled to alter that height in such a manner as to injure them, and to deviate from the condition upon which your Bill was obtained?—Yes; I do not remember any serious complaint in my own practice, but the fact is so; we should not be restricted from deviation as respects levels; we should comply with the inclinations which are described in the House of Lords' clause for turnpike roads, and for which the House of Commons has no fixed rule at all; all the limitation as regards our interference with the roads, is Lord Shaftesbury's clause, in which I have taken the liberty to recommend an alteration within the last few days, and which his Lordship has, I believe, approved.

106. *Chairman.*] What is the object of the clause you allude to?—The object of the clause is, that in crossing turnpike roads, they shall be either crossed over or under, and not on the surface; also the inclinations shall not be less than a certain number of feet, horizontally, to one foot vertical.

107. What is the purport of the alteration which you understand to have been adopted?—The purport of the alteration has been to reduce the inclinations of turnpike roads, and to extend the rule to turnpike roads carried under as well as over railways.

108. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Taking care you do not vary much the present line?—Exactly so.

109. Lord *Stanley.*] What is the greatest inclination you propose to allow for turnpike roads over or under a railway?—One in 30. If my recollection be correct, it was a kind of desideratum with Mr. Telford to get the favourite of all his works, the Holyhead Road, to 1 in 30. In the ascents and descents for railroads, the length of the inclination is not great; and nearly as much depends upon the length of an inclination in a turnpike road, as upon its angle. I recommended that there should be a clear height of 18 feet in turnpike roads.

110. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Between that and the arch?—Yes.

111. Can you state what is the height of the highest waggon archway in London; that is, the highest archway of the waggon arches?—About 18 feet, I should say: that is the height of Temple-bar.

112. Sir *John Wrottesley.*] Has there ever been any inconvenience at Temple-bar?—I think not; but on the contrary, I think if a load were such as not to be able to go under an 18-feet arch, it is too high for safety. Then, for public, highways it used to be 1 in 13: in Lord Shaftesbury's clause, I think public roads and private roads of communication, were both made 1 in 13. I think both were too steep; and I recommended public roads should be made 1 in 20, and private roads 1 in 16; that is to say, the inclinations should not be greater than I have just stated.

113. Lord *Stanley.*] You are aware that, under the denomination of highways, that would include footpaths; do you propose to make any distinction with respect to footpaths?—That did not occur to me; I do not think it would be important.

114. Would you extend the prohibition in crossing a footpath which would have a greater inclination than 1 in 20?—I do not think a footpath or bridle-road need be 1 in 20: perhaps I ought, in place of saying highways, to have used the expression public carriageways not being turnpike roads.

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115. Do you propose to put that limit with regard to mere footpaths and bridleways?—No; it did not occur to me, because bridleroads would remain 1 in 13; but footpaths are sometimes ascended by steps.

116. *Chairman.*] We understand you to say, that your distinctions would be between turnpike roads, public carriageways not being turnpike roads, and occupation roads and bridleways: you put turnpike roads, that would have an inclination, 1 in 30, and the height 18 feet; for public carriageways, 1 in 20, and the height 16 feet; for occupation roads and bridleways, 1 in 16, and the height 13 feet; and you do not wish to prescribe for mere footpaths?—Exactly.

117. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Would you think it necessary to prescribe the width for either of these classes of roads?—Yes.

118. What width would you give for the first, what for the second, and what for the third?—The way in which this clause in the London and Cambridge Bill is, is this: "And in all cases the width of such roads, of whatever description, shall be such as shall be convenient and sufficient for the traffic upon the road to be crossed, reference being had to the present width of such road, and of any bridges that now exist thereon."

119. Lord *Stanley.*] Would you recommend there should be any direction with regard to roads, which are crossed upon a level, as to gates or protection for passengers?—Yes.

120. In what manner do you conceive the best protection is afforded, by placing the guard-gate across the road to be crossed, or across the railroad itself?—I think it is generally better in the railway, although shutting a gate against a locomotive engine in motion is of no use in stopping its course; it, however, prevents straggling upon the railroad, which is very useful also.

121. In several of the railroads that have been made, the plan has been to put the gate across the railroad?—Yes.

122. And leave the other passage clear?—Yes.

123. Would you recommend in all cases where a road is crossed upon a level, it should be required by the standing orders that gates should be placed upon the road so to be crossed?—I think there should, and they may often be contrived so that when they open the road, they shut across the railroad. The Committee are aware that as Lord Shaftesbury's clause stands at present, and has been for some years past, all turnpike roads must be crossed over or under.

124. Do you recommend simply putting the gates, or do you recommend, besides, having a person stationed there, to see they are properly shut?—If it were obligatory to have a person fixed there for all roads, even all parish roads, it would be a very onerous thing upon the Company generally; they had better make bridges at once.

125. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you think, without a person being stationed, there can be any real safety to persons and cattle, when locomotive engines are passing along a railroad?—I do not think there would.

126. Would not the act of the engines destroying the cattle be a very serious consideration?—Yes; it might endanger the train, by throwing it off the line.

127. Do you not think it a most essential part of an engineer's duty, in laying out his plan, to avoid as much as possible crossing upon a level?—Certainly, it is very desirable.

128. Generally speaking, with a little more expense it can be avoided, can it not?—Yes, it can. I think it would be found better, as I have stated, in almost all cases, if, instead of a person being placed at the gate, you were to carry the public road over or under the railroad, unless the traffic were very small.

129. Lord *Sandon.*] On account of the expense?—Yes, and security.

130. Lord *Stanley.*] There may be many cases where there are gates on railroads; where there are stations, for instance?—Yes; if you allow the man who is the constable to be the same individual, and not to have a man stationed at each road expressly for the purpose, then the obligation would not be attended with great expense.

131. Lord *Sandon.*] He may always be made useful, may he not?—Yes; if you allow that to be the case there would be no great evil in it.

132. Mr. *Thornely.*] If the gates were upon the railway, a man would be useful for a constable; but if upon a road or line for carriages, he would never know where to be in attendance?—Yes.

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133. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Have you anything to add upon the subject of the width of the roads which are to be crossed over or under?—The clause in the London and Cambridge Act requires "that in no case shall a bridge or tunnel over or under any turnpike road give a less width than 20 feet in the clear, and with respect to any public carriageway or highway, not less than 15 feet for the passage of such road; and that a good and sufficient wall or fence on each side be erected," &c.

134. Supposing there is any road of great importance, the natural course would be to put a special clause into the Act to provide for that particular turnpike road?—If a general clause were inserted, that shall have reference to the traffic upon the road and the present width of the road, that would do it.

135. Do you think that that clause would afford sufficient protection to turnpike roads in the neighbourhood of towns where there is a considerable deal of traffic?—Certainly, as 20 feet is evidently not enough in such cases.

136. Therefore, in that case it would be necessary to make some special provision?—Yes, or to give the trustees power to extend them.

137. Now, with regard to the tunnels; in what respect would you advise the tunnels upon any projected line of railroad should be laid down and specified in the maps to be deposited with the clerk of the peace?—I think it would be desirable to show them upon the section and the plan, and that the height and length should be figured on the plan; at present the standing orders do not oblige us to show where the tunnels are at all.

138. Would it not also be desirable, in cases of tunnels of a considerable length, that the points at which there are proposed to be ventilators, should also be specified upon the plan?—I think not.

139. Does this not very much interfere with the surface of the soil?—Yes; but notice is given to the parties through whose land the tunnel is to be made, of giving the company power to purchase.

140. Now, we are talking of those maps which are to be delivered to the clerk of the peace, in all parishes, by which any individual who is to be affected may discover how his interest is to be affected: now it is clear, that in a tunnel of a mile and a half in length it is necessary to have ventilation; is it not necessary that the party through whose land the tunnel is to pass should be made acquainted as soon as possible that his land is to be affected?—I do not attach much importance to that; because we give notice to all the parties through whose land tunnels are to be made, and if they have any objection to a shaft being made through their grounds, they generally apply, and have an exception if they make a case.

141. You generally, in forming the tunnel, take a particular point as the point where you intend to sink the shaft?—No.

142. You leave that to be settled afterwards?—Yes.

143. Does not the nature of the soil and the peculiar circumstances of the case direct you to a special point where your shafts are to be made?—We do not sometimes know the nature of the soil at the time: generally, carrying a shaft up through a property would not be very injurious to it; there is always a wall built round it, and the company have to compensate.

144. It may be of great importance to a man to know whether a shaft is to come out in his fields or not, or whether it is contiguous to his mansion; the mere working of that shaft is a very serious inconvenience?—We must pay for all the damage we should do, and we have a great dislike to approaching mansions, as well as a great desire to humour the owners of them.

145. He may have no other direct interest in the project than that of the shaft, because you may begin three quarters of a mile from his house at one end, and end three quarters of a mile from his house at the other end?—There might be such a case. The making of permanent shafts for tunnels is almost a new thing; I believe the first that was made, was made on the Leeds and Selby Railway. We do not know enough yet of the necessity for them and the number required, to make it safe for me to give any opinion as to them, in respect of standing orders: we find that upon the Leeds and Selby Railway they work extremely well as regards ventilation; we have three in 600 yards, in equal distances.

146. Mr. *Thornely.*] There is no ventilator in the Liverpool Railway, is there?—No.

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147. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] You foresee there would be considerable engineering inconvenience, if you were to specify upon the map so to be deposited, whereabouts you are to make your shafts?—Yes, I think there would. There are generally agents who look out, when Bills are before Parliament, to prevent injury if there be any particular case.

148. *Chairman.*] Are there any points in the standing orders which have occurred to you in the course of your practical experience, upon which you would wish to make any observations?—Yes; thus it appears to me it would be desirable for distinctness, that the miles and half-miles, beginning at one end and proceeding consecutively to the other, should be marked upon the section, and the crossings of roads and rivers, and the boundaries of parishes, upon both the plan and section. I have found on examining the plans and sections of railways, great difficulty, after referring to the plan, to find the same points upon the section, because it was not divided into miles at all: if the object is to mystify, we can thus easily do so, because the standing orders do not require us to mark the plan or section by any divisions. At present there is a variation of 100 yards allowed in all cases; now, I think that is too much, going through towns and villages, because we generally include the buildings that are within the 100 yards, and the owners of the houses are not apprised, till the work is laid out afterwards, what course we mean to take. I think in buildings about one-tenth of the 100 yards would be scope enough for the deviation of the centre line.

149. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you think it would be practicable to restrict yourself with regard to buildings within 10 yards of that which you laid down in your map?—I think the centre line, certainly.

150. Could you not carry the principle a little further, and say with regard to the rest of the country you should not be restricted nearer than 100 yards?—I do not see the object of it where there are no buildings. I took the liberty of suggesting that railways should be limited as regards levels, but when they passed through lands belonging to individuals, I should presume there would be no objection to allowing a greater variation than five feet, supposing five feet to be the maximum, if it be given with the consent of the owners and lessees of the ground. I would recommend they should not be allowed to deviate more than five feet above or below, without the consent of the owners. It is usual to insert the lessees of all the property included in the book of reference; but the standing orders do not require it, because it is stated to be the owners and occupiers in the standing orders, and the lessee, whose interest is very often much more important than either owner or occupier, is omitted altogether. I have thought, where there were leases of terms not less than 14 years made, that there should be a column for those lessees.

151. *Chairman.*] Has any practical inconvenience resulted from its not being specified in the standing orders?—Yes. I would state that in a Bill that was presented to the House this session of Parliament, in place of depositing a section of the whole line of railway in each county through which the railway passed, only the particular part through each county was deposited; but it appears to me, as lithographing now is so easily done, the whole map of the proposed railway should be deposited in each county. In the case I refer to, there was great difficulty in collecting all the pieces together to understand the plan.

152-3. Lord *Stanley.*] Now with regard to the time at which the notices should be given, reference being had to the time at which you must conduct your field operations, and also to the expediency of giving as much notice as possible before bringing the Bill before Parliament, what is the period at which you would say the plans to be deposited should be deposited with the clerk of the peace; what is the earliest period at which you think the plans and sections should be deposited with the clerk of the peace, reference being had to the time at which you are to commence your operations of survey?—I do not think you should contract it within the present time, the 30th of November; unless you go back to February, because at this season of the year, June, nothing can be done without injury to the crops. I apprehend that that was one of the principal reasons that induced the House of Commons to alter the period from the 30th of September to the 30th of November, to allow the details of the survey after the harvests should be reaped.

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154. Lord *Stanley*.] Suppose Parliament met in December?—If it should, I do not apprehend it would make any difference; I have never known a Bill read a second time then; very little indeed is done in private Bills until after the holidays.

155. Mr. *Loch*.] Does it not require as much time to see how the estates are to be affected as to make the original survey?—No, not the hundredth part of it, because, having the plan before you, you can see at once.

156. Lord *Stanley*.] What is the time of year at which the greatest part of your survey operations are necessarily conducted?—The months of October and November.

157. Is that on account of the regulation of the House of Commons, or on account of the state of the country at that time?—Both; and this also, that these things are generally got up just in time enough to allow with the most breathless haste the plans and sections to be deposited.

158. That would be a case which would be very right for Parliament to interfere in as far as it could; are there any other circumstances which would render it expedient to alter the time?—None, but what I have stated with regard to the harvest time.

159. Would that be a serious impediment to you, the crops being on the ground?—Very much so, and to the crops also.

160. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] You would not be permitted to come upon the ground, unless the parties were very enthusiastic indeed, in that case?—Not unless we did it without their knowledge.

161. Lord *Stanley*.] How late in the spring or the summer are you able to survey?—Supposing such a season as the present, I should say perhaps to the beginning of the present month, not to take the detailed survey, but the general survey which determines the line.

162. The months in which you cannot take the survey are the months of June, July, August and September?—June, July and August chiefly.

163. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] Of course, snow is very fatal to you?—Yes, but winter has its advantages for surveying.

164. Sir *J. Wrottesley*.] The leaves and the hedges are material points?—Just so.

165. Lord *Stanley*.] Not referring to next year, but referring to a future session, suppose it were required by the standing orders that plans should be deposited by the middle of June, would you consider that to be a serious inconvenience for Bills to be brought in for the ensuing session?—I have not considered it; but if there is an idea of a change to June, I am not sure if it would not be a good thing to go still farther back, because it would give the public a better opportunity of seeing the schemes than they have now, and we should have our orders from the promoters of these measures just so much earlier. I think there are professional objections to June.

166. Supposing you were allowed to have the choice of these two periods at which the plans were to be deposited, the 30th of September or the 10th of June as the last day, which of those two periods would you choose? Supposing it were determined to throw you back so far as the 30th of September, which period would you prefer, to be left to the 30th of September or the 10th of June?—I should say the 30th of September: my reason is, that engineers and surveyors of any practice are fully employed in reaping their own harvest here in the House of Commons, during the sitting of Parliament, up to that time; we could not get away into the country. I have been here in town for two months, without being able to get out of town; it would be quite impossible to attend to any new scheme, while we are engaged in getting through our present projects.

167. Lord *Granville Somerset*.] From the 1st of March to the 1st of August is the period of time that is quite indispensable?—Quite so.

168. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] During those months your assistants could be taking the levels, could they not?—No; we are constantly finding out some position in some point or other that wants correction. Now yesterday there was an objection to a railway I am concerned in; an owner thought he had found a better line, and nothing would satisfy him but I must either send or go down myself to examine his line, or if I did not he would start an opposition in the House of

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of Lords against the measure. On the whole, my opinion is, that the 30th of November is better, if the Bill is to come into the House the ensuing session of Parliament; at the same time it is fair I should say that I am speaking in some degree as an engineer; it is fair I should say, speaking between the public and the promoters of those measures, I think all those schemes are now too hastily concocted, and adopted without sufficient consideration. I think there never was any session of Parliament more rife than the present session has been with these hurried schemes.

169. *Chairman.*] They are not sifted enough?—Certainly, the lines have not been by the engineers themselves.

170. You would not consider it a bad thing that there should be an interval of a twelvemonth allowed, between the first originating of the plan and its coming before Parliament?—I do not; but it might not be so good for the professional men, as the promoters might lose a portion of their zeal in the interim. If the Committee think more time essential, I should suggest the 1st of March as better than June; this would give us the autumn and winter for surveys and plans, and would not so interfere with our attendance upon Committees in Parliament.

171. Lord *Sandon.*] Would not a great deal of expense be saved to the parties by the opportunity of meeting objections raised by the landowners or by towns, who would think their interests would be better consulted, and would not their own plans be better organized, if such were the case?—That would be the tendency, but I doubt if such a delay would be so advantageous as may appear; because if it were done, such is the procrastinating disposition, that even the owners and occupiers would not attend much to the business until about the termination of the limited time. It has appeared to me very often, if the Bill were allowed to proceed up to a certain point in Parliament, and in place of being passed the same session, were to have an interval between two sessions for a kind of breathing time, that then the public and the promoters also would have a very much better opportunity of considering what they were about, and know more of the merits of the measure.

172. Lord *Sandon.*] Does it not occasionally happen that, during the investigation of a Bill before a Committee, the promoters of the Bill become convinced that improvements can be made in their line, which according to the standing orders they are not at liberty to make?—I should think so; but having fixed upon a line, we must support it as the best, against our better judgment, or from a strong prejudice in favour of the line we have adopted.

173. And in consequence you are obliged to promote a Bill which you do not wish, and are often obliged to come to Parliament to amend?—Yes; I fear it sometimes is so.

174. The consequence of this imperfect consideration is, that very often two Bills are required for a measure instead of one?—It is; and not only that, but I fear that lately so many of those schemes have been got up, that the links, if I may call them so, of what should be the great chain of communication through the country, which are so placed and so distributed in different directions and levels, that there will be very great difficulty in ever uniting them into one great chain. It has occurred to me very often, that it would be extremely desirable if the main lines throughout the country were laid down either by Government or a commission; not that Government should make those railways, but they should lay down the general lines throughout the country, and let parties take them up as they do now by private speculation; but some great lines from east to west and north to south, as general guides, should be laid down by persons having no immediate local interest or prejudice, and leaving the minor branches also to be schemed and made by speculators, but making sure that the great lines of railway communication throughout the country were laid down after properly considering their general bearings. I took the liberty on a very late occasion to state to the Right Honourable Chairman what appeared to me a great object in a link of the kind I have referred to, near York. I think the subject generally extremely well deserving of the consideration of Government.

175. Is it not now too late to put that notion into effect; are not all the great lines of communication pretty nearly occupied?—I think not; certainly not too late to do much good still.

176. Have you not the Great Western Road to the west, and the Great Northern Road from Birmingham to Liverpool?—Yes, but there are many others;

others; there is none, for instance, from London to Edinburgh farther than York, and there is no direct eastern line to York, or to the east of England. I think on many occasions we have not given consideration to the subject, and that this has been particularly the case during the present session.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Poulett Thomson.	Sir John Wrottesley.
Sir James Graham.	Mr. Oswald.
Mr. Thornely.	Lord Stanley.
Mr. Loch.	Lord Granville Somerset.
Sir Robert Peel.	Lord Viscount Sandon.

MR. POULETT THOMSON, IN THE CHAIR.

James Walker, Esq., called in; and further Examined.

177. *Chairman.*] THE Committee understand from you that, in your opinion, advantage would have resulted if, before the great lines of railway had been undertaken to the extent they have been, some Parliamentary or Government survey had been made with a view of laying down the best lines for the great trunks of railway through the country from which branches might have been made, as the convenience or wants of different great towns required; are you of opinion that the country is yet sufficiently open, as that a plan of that kind might now with advantage be adopted?—Some plan of the kind, by commission, committee, or otherwise, might be adopted with advantage, and still more if the Bills for railways now before Parliament were included in the jurisdiction of that commission. I see, by looking at the lines of railways which are now made, or are now making, or are now before Parliament, according to the map of the kingdom, which is before the Committee, that if these are all made according to the proposed lines, it would, particularly as regards the centre and the west of England, be too late to do a great deal of good; but I think the north of England and Scotland, and the east of England, are yet in a state in which much good would be done; and if the powers of the Commissioners were extended to a surveillance of those lines which are now before Parliament, then I think all parts of the kingdom would derive great benefit. I need not say I had no idea of the detailed surveys being made by such a commission, if the commission should issue, but general surveys which give information as to the general bearings and levels of the country, such as would enable an opinion to be formed when measures might be presented to Parliament, and as a kind of general guide to projectors.

178. Will you state to the Committee the outline of the plan which occurs to you for carrying those views into effect?—I apprehend the way would be, after some general consideration as to the situations and interests of the districts, to sketch out or describe the great lines, and that then some such general survey as I have referred to should be made for the purpose of trying whether the lines that appear on paper to be desirable, could be carried into practice. I believe that in Belgium the great lines are not only laid down but made by the Government, and the branches they leave to private companies. It is perhaps more consistent with the genius of British institutions, if the guide-lines were chalked out in the most general way, to leave companies to make even the great lines, as I said on my last examination, and to leave the branches not only to be made but also to be laid down by local interests. It is evident by the measures which have been before the House of Commons and before Parliament this present session, that there is a good deal of drawing in different directions, according to the local interests, without reference to that which a commission, taking also into view the general interests of the country, might consider desirable. I think that without some guide or control of this nature, the case will be the same as has been with the turnpike roads throughout the country, many of which have been made in bad lines and levels, and are now to be altered, and would be to a greater extent but for the towns through which they pass. The contention in the present session has been very much upon rival lines of railroads; and the Committee are well aware, in the present

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constitution of Committees of the House upon Private Bills of this nature, it is not the best line but the party that can exert the greatest influence to command attention and friends in the Committee whose line is likely to be carried.

179. What sort of a commission do you contemplate?—There could not be a better commission than such gentlemen as are now round this table, who would soon find themselves sufficiently conversant with the matter to be a guide to and a check upon projectors when Bills come before the Committees, in which their advice and assistance would be a great benefit. I suppose a Parliamentary commission.

180. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] The question was, whether you would advise a committee of civil engineers or military engineers, or what description of persons do you imagine should constitute the commission?—Civil engineers might be consulted; but if civil engineers became commissioners, unless they would abandon private business, they would be just in the situation of the individuals that now promote particular lines of railway are. We have all our own private interests and local opinions, and we cannot always get rid of the prejudice created by them.

181. If lines were laid down by what may be called an impartial commission, it is just possible that you might not find parties who would subscribe to the lines. There are very often individuals interested, and who are the parties who subscribe to the line, which might not be the line approved of by the commissioners?—I apprehend that which is best for the public might ultimately be best for particular places; and perhaps, if the occasional eagerness to subscribe in particular cases to local railways, were abated a little, there would be no harm done to the interests of the country, or ultimately to the interests of towns or individuals.

182. Do you not conceive that the partiality people have for their own projects, would induce them to make much greater exertions than if they were the projects of other parties?—Yes; but anything I have suggested is not intended to do away with projects or partialities. I only think it would be useful to the public, and to themselves, if such projectors had a general outline as a guide to their projects; making the line between the two termini fall in, so far as it fairly could with the general line, which would generally be to the decided benefit of the subscribers, even to local railroad schemes.

183. Lord *Stanley.*] Would it not be necessary, in order to ascertain what would be the best line in all considerations, to have something more accurate than that general survey; might not a line upon paper appear to be the best line, and afterwards insuperable or very considerable engineering difficulties might occur?—I do not apprehend after such a survey as I have suggested, that important engineering difficulties could occur, because the general survey would give the great outline of the plan; and the general information would be applicable to particular cases. The detailed survey is the fields and parishes, in order to comply with the standing orders. The general survey forms but a small part of the labour that the engineer has in laying down the line for Parliament.

184. Might it not frequently happen also, that a line as a whole would be a better line for a short distance, and yet might omit considerable towns which it would be desirable upon a long one to go near, which towns private companies, of course, seek to make favourable to the project, which Government after seeing the best line between the termini would not regard in the same light?—That might be the case, and I dare say would be; but as I have said already, I think more advantage would often be had, even to the parties, by keeping the main line, to be the best throughout the country, than regarding only the particular place, which place I think might be approached by a branch. As an illustration, a railway was projected from London to Birmingham, and another from Birmingham to Liverpool. I happen to know that in this particular case, the first line was intended to go into Birmingham, and thence to be continued, awkwardly by a tunnel under part of the town, on to Liverpool by another company. My friend, Mr. Watt, of Aston Hall, asked me to look at the line, because it came through his park; I went down, and it appeared at once, to others and myself, to be the interest of the parties making a railway to consider the whole length, from London to Liverpool, as one great line, and not to go through Birmingham at all, but to keep in the valley, and connect Birmingham thereto by a short branch. They passed their Bill that session, with a clause preventing

preventing their carrying it into execution as far as regarded going through Aston Hall without Mr. Watt's consent, which he refused; they came back next year to amend the line, and I believe all parties now agree that it is a much better thing altogether than if he had given his consent to that line: this occurs to me at this instant in illustration of the principle, that in not taking a more general view of a question, than local feelings and prejudices afford, the public and even the local interests may suffer. In other cases it might, on the contrary, happen that a general acquaintance with the subject would bring lines of railways nearer to large towns, which from a feeling of rivalry, or otherwise, are laid out so as to avoid them: there are such cases.

185. Sir *John Wrottesley*.] Do you think any company would make a general line, without first ascertaining that the branches would be made to the great towns?—No; I do not think that any part of the trunk or main line, if considered as such only, would be made by parties who had only local views or interests; but still the trunk would be the most profitable part of the line. I would not, however, be supposed to mean that I recommend a trunk *per se* and branches, as the figure would imply, but only that the greater and ulterior interests should be attended to in laying down local projects. If such a plan as I have taken the liberty to suggest were adopted, the effect would probably be, that part of a line proposed between any two towns would be in the direction of the main line, and have reference also to the local interests.

186. You mean it should go as the London and Birmingham and the Grand Junction, joining in the neighbourhood of Birmingham, instead of going immediately into that town?—Exactly so, if I am correct in my saying that that railway is now carried as I then suggested, and have just explained.

187. Lord *Stanley*.] Supposing, for example, that it were necessary to take the line of country between York and Liverpool, and Glasgow and Edinburgh, would you recommend, in the first instance, that the commissioners should state which of the towns they conceived it was important to join, by lines from one to the other, and then those lines should be announced as having been decided upon, and companies be invited to join for carrying them into effect?—I have no idea of any kind of announcement or invitation, but simply that general information on this important subject should be possessed by a central board, who should have proper maps and other means for their assistance, maps with general lines laid down, such as appear to be the best for connecting such great towns as the Noble Lord has named, that a reference might be had to these, and that parties intending a railway from any two such towns, as, for instance, Newcastle and Darlington (which I see are intended to be joined, by a Bill now before the House), would have an idea that a line in a particular direction had been considered as a general line; and also thus, that something might be known about it, as to its merits and its connection with the country beyond its termini, when the Bill might be brought by individuals before Parliament. I happen to have named Newcastle and Darlington, now that line appears upon the map to be straight as between those two towns, and it may be good as between these two points, but if it be intended as a main line over to Scotland, there may be difficulty in crossing the valley of the Tyne: the country on the north side of it is high, whereas probably a line tending more to the westward for part of the way, with a short branch into Newcastle, might be a better general line, and therefore ultimately better for the subscribers to this partial measure, and for Newcastle itself; just as I think the present line of the London and Liverpool is better for Birmingham, than the direct Birmingham would have been; it is not as regards the line only, but the situation of the country, and we very often, if called upon by a party, do not look to the great bearings north or south, but to the parties who take a particular interest in the measure, with local favours and disfavours.

188. After you should have taken the lines which are recommended by the commissioners as between the extreme points, you would not permit any lines to be established to towns lying a little out of those towns, except along a portion of those which you should intend for the main trunk?—I would not by any means go so far as that; but my idea would be to follow the main trunk as far it could be done, with reference to all the interests; in fact, my object would be to obtain general information, and to apply it as found expedient.

189. Now this line being from Darlington to Newcastle, supposing the main line were to run 10 miles to the west of Newcastle, the main line contemplated

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templated between Darlington and Edinburgh were to run 10 miles to the westward of Newcastle, you would not permit a railroad to be made which should not, till it came nearly parallel to Newcastle, run along the intended main trunk?—My idea is not to carry it so far as that, but to let the main line be continued as far as it could without carrying the promoters of the partial line, supposing it a proper line, so much out of their way as to put them to great expense or inconvenience. You will see that that road which is the best in point of interest to the public, in the case I have described, would be the best in point of interest to the local railway company; a line being made from Newcastle to Darlington, if made in perhaps the cheapest and straightest direction between the two places, might not be the best line from London to Edinburgh; in that way the whole line from Darlington to Newcastle might remain a Newcastle and Darlington line only, another line might be to be formed, and the country thus cut up by the two lines; whereas one line might have been sufficient, and might have been better for the promoters of this particular line. I should expect the parties, for their advantage, to follow the main line as far as, looking at the thing moderately and fairly, they could, and to diverge from it at a point which would not be very inconvenient or expensive to them.

190. Lord *Sandon.*] You would consider the main line, chalked out by the commissioners, as fixed points, which are to be considered and previously settled, before any of the branches were to be made; you would consider those as given points?—Yes; as leading points giving general information, subject, of course, to examination themselves, and alteration, if found requisite.

191. Lord *Stanley.*] Will it not be necessary, in order to carry that into effect, that you should have the whole communication between the extreme north and the extreme south of the country, because in the same way as Newcastle might lie out of the way to Edinburgh, Edinburgh might lie out of the way to Inverness; you would think it necessary, before anything was decided upon, that the main line should be fixed from London to Inverness?—I do not know whether it would be practicable to extend a line to Inverness, but as far as the great railway communications go, I think it would be desirable; I would not be understood as laying it down in that line, so as to fix the line, because, as I have just said, such a survey as I have referred to would be itself subject to revision; but I cannot help thinking generally, without being prepared to say how far you should go into the details, that railways, which are likely now to be the great communication or improved turnpike roads of the country, should be considered in reference to their great directions and termini, and the general trade of the country; lines generally ought to be considered impartially before adopting them.

192. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What would you take into consideration before you laid down which line was the best; would you take into consideration simply the whole line with regard to the engineering difficulties or facilities, or would you accompany that with a consideration of the traffic of the intermediate towns?—I should consider the traffic of the intermediate towns and the general conveniences, and every element deserving of consideration.

193. Would it not be interfering very much with the traffic of the intermediate towns; would you not interfere with the convenience of Newcastle for the purpose of getting a better line to Edinburgh?—I do not think so; but on the contrary, I think, as I have stated, that Newcastle and the subscribers to any railroad to Newcastle would rather be pleased to find that they could make a considerable part of their line between two towns, to answer the purposes for the main line; therefore I think the interference would be the contrary way.

194. Has it not happened to you to find discontent expressed by towns, when you have not taken the towns in the immediate line of railroad?—It has.

195. Was it not the cause of great discontent in the town of Sheffield, that the railroad which was proposed to be carried by it was not to come within five miles of it?—I believe it was.

196. Do you think the Sheffield people would be inclined to subscribe to a railroad of that description?—I do not know that they would, because they might think it inferior to a line which approached nearer Sheffield; but perhaps, if the interest of Sheffield had been considered as well as the other towns, a better line of railway might have been had, and Sheffield and other parts would have

been satisfied that the outline had been given and considered by parties having their interest and the interest of the country generally in view.

197. Was not the main objection to the North Midland line its distance from Sheffield?—I understood so, but I do not know particulars.

198. And the necessity of having a branch?—I understood so; an unnecessarily long branch perhaps.

199. Does not that prove that they prefer a more direct communication?—Yes; but it does not prove that it would not also have been desirable to have carried the line nearer to Sheffield, in place of going directly to some other town; an impartial tribunal, knowing the facts, would have endeavoured to amalgamate all the interests by, perhaps, some intermediate line.

199*. Can you tell me whether the Sheffield people have subscribed to that North Midland line or not?—No, I cannot.

200. Have they not professed a readiness to subscribe to the other line, provided it were carried close to the town of Sheffield?—I do not know the facts at all; but I should think they would be more likely to subscribe to the line nearer to Sheffield than to the one at a distance. Their objection probably was, it was not the best line for them and the best line for the country; and that the interests of Sheffield were more synonymous with the interests of the country than the North Midland line made them. There was, I know, a contention of parties and a battle in the Committee of the House of Commons about that line, and, as I took the liberty of saying, the question is often decided by the party having the best interest in procuring the attendance of Members of the Committee; whereas, if that had not been the case, but it had been judged of by the commission giving an opinion, I think a great deal of expense and delay would have been saved (which is the most important consideration), and the best line for the country would probably have been taken.

201. Did not the Committee decide that the line taken for the North Midland was, upon general considerations, the most eligible?—I do not know the fact, but I apprehend it is so. You are well aware that, although that be the case, it does not quite amount to a demonstration that the best line for the country, or even for the various local interests, if viewed impartially, has been fixed on. The commissioners would not probably have had that strong local interest which the Members of the North Midland Committee, urged perhaps by constituents and agents, had. I speak generally, without knowing the facts in this case.

202. Would you think it a main line, for instance, supposing a Bill had not been passed, a communication between Gloucester and Birmingham; would you have made that of sufficient importance to have made it a subject to come under the decision of the commissioners?—Yes; probably.

203. Have you seen the line?—I have seen the section deposited, that is all I know of it; it is an unfavourable line now, as regards the inclinations.

204. Now, are you not aware there were two lines of communication; the one, that which was affirmed by Parliament in the course of this session, going in the vicinity of Northampton and so forth, on the one hand, and another line joining Gloucester, which is a better inclination, but worse on other considerations?—I believe so.

205. How would the commission act, supposing it were formed, by having surveys taken from all parts?—If, by a report having reference to a general map, information were given as to the great routes of railways, I think that every engineer applied to by a company would be disposed to look at it, and to form some idea from it, as to how he could bring the work he is called upon to project, so as to entitle it to receive the approval of Parliament.

206. Lord *Stanley*.] Would it not always be a question, the original line being laid down straight between the two termini, how far it was expedient and eligible to deviate from that straight line?—It would; and I apprehend deviations would be expedient very often; but still the extent of the deviation would be known, and the reasons appreciated; and the promoters of such measures would know that they were not making a line between two towns, which afterwards would be likely to be thrown into the back ground, and another road substituted for it. My whole object, in fact, is, that when partial measures are brought forward, there should be some general information lodged in an independent quarter to form an opinion of them, and of the weight to be attached to an opposition.

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207. Would you require that a road going from London to Cambridge, not being in the direct road from London to York, that the promoters should be required, in getting their Bill from London to Cambridge, to show the practicability of coming into the main line again?—Yes; that is a good illustration.

208. Lord *Sandon.*] You would have a skeleton of railroads between the communications first laid down, and all the branches made in reference to that skeleton?—No; that would be too much detail. There should be some party who has the interest of the country at stake, without having local interest, who could determine, when those local plans come before them, to see that they have some grounds for the approval of Parliament, and to check ephemeral schemes.

209. Approximating them as nearly to the best engineering line in the great plans of public importance as is found to be consistent with the objects of providing accommodation with important intermediate places?—Just so; reflecting and possessing general information. With regard to London and Cambridge, the fact is, as I stated perhaps before; I would not undertake more than from London to Cambridge in the present session; but I took the general survey on to York, in order to enable me to say that a good line was practicable to York; now in that case I did as much as is ever required for the general purpose I have named.

210. Lord *Stanley.*] Would it not have been still better if you had continued it on to Edinburgh or to Inverness?—Yes, it would; the more knowledge the better.

211. Sir *Robert Peel.*] You say you would have a line established by these commissioners; now supposing there were parties who should say, we are not satisfied with this line, and we wish to have a line going by the Potteries into Staffordshire, and by Northampton to Stafford, would you advise that the commissioners should determine whether it was politic that this line should be established; how is it likely it would give satisfaction to the inhabitants?—I do not know that it would give entire satisfaction to the inhabitants; but still I think it is desirable there should be some parties, who, having general knowledge, and no local interest, should judge of the strength of the argument in favour of the one line or the other; and that is the general bearing of all I have said.

212. Is it not better to leave it to individual enterprise, and to the readiness of individuals to subscribe, and to their willingness to come forward?—My idea is, as I stated before, not that Government or the commissioners should make the main lines, but that the general directions should be laid down. The expression I used before the Right honourable Baronet came into the room was, that a general survey should be made in that direction, to enable individuals, when the schemes are brought before Parliament, to form some idea of the strength of the argument on the one side or the other; if a railway should be made between two towns, that in making that, reference should be had to the country, both on the one side and the other, to make that line that would allow it properly, as regards levels and as regards the direction, to form part of the main chain throughout the country. The effect would be, not to interfere with individual enterprise further than to keep it in the right direction for the public and the individuals themselves.

213. Supposing there should be two towns, each being five miles from the direction in which the line should go physically from the straightest point; one party urges various reasons why the line should go through this and the other towns, and says, for various reasons that we allege, we do not see why the line, though a little longer, should not take this direction in preference; how would they be able to form a judgment upon that point, unless they heard the conflicting parties upon their local interests?—There would be no objection to their being heard.

214. Could they form a judgment without it; could they form their opinion without having the whole case sifted, and hearing the evidence of each party?—I think not.

215. Supposing the parties chose to appeal to the House of Commons against the decision of the commissioners, must not the same proof be gone through a second time; may they not come again, and say, now hear our evidence; what we will show is, that the calculations that were rejected were the proper ones;

ones; would it not double the expense of evidence given on every railroad?—No, I think not: taking the illustration by this little sketch, I do not see that the Government, for instance, or a board of commissioners, having the general information I have referred to, could add to the expense, but the contrary; I do not suppose the commissioners would decide after an inquiry, but that their knowledge would be very useful in an inquiry. These points I take to be two termini; the one on my right hand is five miles off, and the one on my left hand is five miles off; and the question is, should the line come through that or through this town: now the parties who have the greatest influence, assuming this were the largest town and the greatest subscriptions, and where the committee of management happened to be formed, and who would have the strongest interest in getting Members to attend the Committee, would carry the line through their own town; while that which is a smaller, perhaps rival town, not having so much capital, nor so much Parliamentary influence, would, in that instance, be disregarded, and have the railway removed to the greatest distance from them, to their absolute prejudice. Now, I could easily suppose that, in a case of this sort, the interest of the public would take a straighter line; that that would also be the best, looking fairly at the interest of the two towns; and that a branch to the town on the left might go from the main line, and another on the opposite side: now it might happen that that would be a better line for the public interest, and ultimately a better plan for both towns than taking the straight direction to either.

216. Does not the decision upon the point involve very complicated considerations?—Very much so.

217. Would not the readiness of the landowner to give his land be a most important element?—Yes; as things are at present that consideration weighs very much with the engineers who lay out lines of railway. We have no idea, until our survey is made and we come into contact with the landowners, whether they will be for or against the measure; but still it appears to me that the line that has had the sanction I have mentioned, however general, would lead to the consent of owners of property, who very often think now they are to be injured, and who feel at the time the Bill is in the House they will be so; but afterwards find themselves mistaken. I think it would reconcile many to lines who at present are very much disposed to offer opposition to them, because they think they are got up for private advantage; but I would not think of going so minutely into particulars in any general inquiry or report issuing from it.

218. Would it not be necessary for the commissioners to make those inquiries of the landed occupiers before they could give a positive opinion as to the preference to be given to particular lines, because they might be met with a very formidable opposition if they had not previously ascertained which was the best line?—I did not contemplate going into that, because no very accurate conclusion could be drawn from answers given in that way. The dissents are often given now, not because they are against a railroad, but because the party thinks if he assent, he will not be so well paid for his property as if he dissent.

219. You do not think such a progress has already been made in railroads, and that Parliament has given its assent to so many now, that it becomes rather late to advise what shall be considered as the great backbone of the country?—It may be so in many cases; I know there are a great many Bills in Parliament for the midland districts, some of which have probably passed, but I do not know what stage they are in.

220. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What power would you give these commissioners; to what extent do you apprehend that their opinion should have influence over the decisions of Parliament?—I do not know to what extent; that would depend on the particular case, its importance, the knowledge possessed of it. The individuals or board would soon acquire a general knowledge that would be useful in railway inquiries.

221. Lord *Stanley.*] Now returning again to the case, as between Darlington and Edinburgh, supposing the line laid out to Edinburgh, would you consider it fatal to a Bill for a railroad between Darlington and Newcastle, that there was no outlet from Newcastle to the north?—Certainly not; because I can suppose the best line between Darlington and Newcastle only might also form part of what the Right honourable Baronet has called the backbone, but that might not be so good a backbone as if it had been originally laid down, having

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reference to that purpose. But how the thing could be worked out, I am perhaps travelling a little out of my department in suggesting.

222. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Putting the advantages to the public out of the question, would not the establishment of such a commission be exceedingly oppressive to individuals whose property might be affected by the railroad sanctioned by that commission?—If the opinion of the commissioners were to be binding, it might; but surely having this general information would be extremely useful in the passing a Railway Bill and forming opinions in Parliament, and might prevent oppression upon landowners as well as upon towns, like in the cases assumed in reply to the Right honourable Baronet's question.

223. Would it not be a hardship to a gentleman to have his park cut through, for the formation of a line of railway between Liverpool and Edinburgh, and would he not have great difficulty in resisting the company when the commissioners had said it would be useful to the country?—Yes; the difficulty would be increased, and properly so, and the gentleman would be likely to agree more readily, to the public interests demanding some sacrifice on his part; but there is no fear of parks being cut through, unless in case of necessity; they have always plenty of protection in both Houses.

224. How could the commissioners fairly judge of the advantages and disadvantages to individuals without going into a most protracted examination, and calling the individuals before them, to support their particular line of interest?—If the object is to form a decisive judgment in case of objection they could not, but still as being guides and landmarks their information would be desirable.

225. Do you think that individuals, at this moment, have more than a fair chance in the Committees of the House of Commons of carrying on a great line of railroad, if their personal interests are opposed to the general wishes of the public?—I do not think they have; but I should expect that their chance would be bettered and the opposition and expense lessened by any general measure, such as I have referred to. The support or opposition to Bills is at present too much guided by the weight of the local interest of the particular place which the railroad is to approach or to avoid.

226. Does it not frequently happen that a gentleman will give up his own private interest for the purpose of benefiting the immediate vicinity, when he would not give it up if it were for a public benefit like a railroad from London to Edinburgh?—Yes; but if he should benefit both, so much the better; and with regard to the general line, what I mean is that the lines from one town to another, as far as they can, should, at the same time, have some reference to the main line.

227. At what period of the proceeding would you consider that this commission ought to exert its powers and to express its opinion?—If a commission, it might be appointed immediately.

228. Your view is to map the whole of England?—Only so far as would enable the commission to acquire and communicate, as occasions arise, the general knowledge for laying down the great backbone or backbones of the country.

229. You would propose a commission should be immediately appointed, and they should proceed to have the whole of England surveyed, which is not now sufficiently intersected by railroads, and that the commission should decide what lines of communication could best be made?—I did not mean that they should decide, but be able to advise as to the measures, from their general view and knowledge of the general and local interests.

230. You are of opinion that in the year 1836 this should be done, although no project should be carried into effect?—Yes.

231. What effect would it have upon the parties who would be most immediately concerned in the passing of the measure through their property?—It might have an effect, probably, on the value of the property; but there are very few of the towns in England, at which some railway or other is not already projected, and they are subject at present to have the constant fear of railway schemes, got up without sufficient consideration, carried into effect, which are afterwards found not to be the best lines, and, perhaps, after all the trouble, abandoned; they would have some protection from such schemes.

232. The result is, that either the measure is given up, if not supposed to be practicable, or if practicable and carried through property, the parties dispose

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of their property to some railroad projectors, who will compensate them to a certain extent; but generally, as a proposition, would not an immense deal of property be affected in such a manner as not either to get advantage on the one hand, by the making of the road, or be able advantageously to dispose of their property on the other?—It might have a partial effect in that way; they might see a great line of railway that comes through part of their property, and consider what the effect of it would be, if carried; I see no harm in that.

233. Would any person think of laying out money in property when such a project as that was hanging over his head?—Perhaps he might not; it is doubtful whether he would have better materials for judging of the propriety of doing so than he has now; and the Committee will see that if the lines could at once be definitely laid down, which is perhaps impossible, the expectation or fear of a railroad would be removed from many who have heard of schemes of railroads through their property; uncertainty is the worst position in a case of this kind.

234. Would it be desirable for a person to have an opinion expressed by a competent board, that, at some time or other, the railroad should be carried directly across his property?—If it were to be carried across his property, I do not see any harm in informing him of it, supposing it possible, and the sooner the better for his guide.

235. There would be no insuring its being carried into effect?—No.

236. Sir *Robert Peel.*] Do you think, in the case spoken of, that a commission could act with advantage, unless they had the opportunity of getting precise information as to what was the best line between Edinburgh and London, and what was the best line between Edinburgh and Newcastle?—The more accurate and precise the better, but I have spoken of general leading information only.

237. They would find they had got a line that had advanced towards the North, towards Rugby; the first question that those commissioners would have to decide would be, whether, or no, it was better to take a line by Stamford to the existing line as far as Rugby?—Yes; or more probably if both.

238. I am only giving the commissioners one business to execute, namely, to give an opinion as to what, on the whole, would be the best line of communication between Newcastle and London; how would they proceed to state that point; they would find a line rather better that went from London; supposing they thought if the whole were a *res integra*, and nothing whatever had yet been decided, they might say, we should advise the line to run from London to Peterborough, but we find there is already one, and therefore, upon that ground, we would advise you to adhere to it; what is the sort of question you would advise them to put upon that?—That is a question which I have considered, and it is an illustration of the general information which a commission would afford. I think the answer would be easy; it would be that going towards Rugby, in order to go north, may be a very good direction for the whole of the centre of England, and for persons having business in that direction, but it is not a good line for the whole of the east of England, and is too far removed; and that therefore this great country, lying to the eastward, has room and business for another railway from Cambridge to York, which could be made more direct and free of tunnels, and in such a case the eastern line should not be treated as a competing line, or objected to; and that it would be desirable to take the great line from those two points.

239. Supposing, in doing that, you very materially interfere with the profits which had been calculated upon by the existing company; then would come a new element; the interest of the north would be in favour of the most direct line; the interest of the east of England would be in favour of a line by Cambridge; the interest of the west of England would be in favour of the line by Rugby; but then also comes another matter which should be considered, namely, whether or no, you would not be diverting so much traffic to the Rugby line, that it would materially interfere with the interest of other parties; could they give a satisfactory opinion that did not embrace the whole of these interests?—Such arguments would be used, and are used now, before a tribunal perhaps less qualified to judge impartially or decide freely, in the way Committees on Private Bills are now formed and conducted. I do not suppose that anything like a commission should decide what is to be done finally in cases such as the Right honourable Baronet has referred to; but I think at the same time

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that such a commission would consider, and have weight with the Committee in advising whether, in such a case as the Honourable Baronet has named, as there are two turnpike roads, one going through the midland counties and the other keeping nearer the east of England, it would not be proper to have another backbone from London to York, eastward, for the accommodation of that great tract of country; and if so, what the leading towns through which the line would go, ought to be.

240. Would you unite with the commissioners, engineers and persons supposed to be impartial and capable of taking those enlarged views of the bearings of the different towns in a commercial point of view, and the general interest of the country, or would you have the commissioners consist of engineers only?—Certainly not civil engineers.

241. Lord *Stanley.*] Would you not require that that board should employ engineers for the purpose of taking the primary surveys?—I apprehend it would be requisite occasionally to consult professional men, and perhaps military engineers would be referred to.

242. *Chairman.*] The commission you would appoint would be a commission of gentlemen, not engineers, with some knowledge of the subject, who would take an enlarged view of the whole question, and under their direction engineers should be employed to take surveys of the great lines?—Yes.

243. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you intend that these commissioners should prepare beforehand a general scheme by which new projectors should act in all great lines of communication, or do you mean a commission that would only investigate the projects which are proposed to Parliament?—What, as a general measure, I would suggest, is this, that the commissioners should, after a general statistical consideration, and having satisfied themselves as to general directions, give their opinions and projects by plan or report, on the great leading points or lines upon which the railroads should pass, and that such should be laid out as regards the plan and section by themselves; there it should rest. If an application were made to an engineer by a party to form a railway between any two points, he might have power to inquire and refer to this information as a kind of guide to go by; and when a private measure comes before Parliament there would be some kind of authority as free from local interest as possible, who would form a judgment as a sort of general railway commission or standing committee on railroads, and whether it was such a measure as ought to be sanctioned by Parliament or not; such an opinion would have its proper weight without being conclusive, and would certainly check wild schemes.

244. That would embrace both points; a general map of the great lines of communication, and an investigation when any measure was brought forward?—I should say so generally; the particular merits or demerits should not be referred to them, but to the Committee on the Bill, who would be aided by the judgment of the more general commission or committee.

245. You would have a commission for one object and a committee for the other, would you?—Yes; the object of the commission or standing committee being extremely general. There may be better plans formed than the one I have suggested; I think that something like a control or check is wanted to regulate the speed as well as the direction of railway movements. I think there are railway measures, which (if a general view, such as I have suggested, were taken) might have been made more advantageously for the country, as well as for the particular towns promoting them, and the individual subscribers.

246. From your connexion with various projects for railroads, could you give any further opinion as to the time for depositing plans?—I think, if I recollect, the bearing of my opinion when I was examined on Friday, was that the beginning of March would be a better time than the beginning of June for depositing plans, if the Committee thought proper to make an alteration at all. There appeared to be a feeling on the part of the Committee, that the present time, between the end of November and the meeting of Parliament, was too short to give notice to the public, and that Midsummer would be a better limit for the time than the 30th of November. I stated I thought Midsummer would be extremely inconvenient owing to the state of the crops, and the trees being in full foliage, and also, that engineers and surveyors were then so fully employed in Parliament that they could not attend to surveys

out of doors. Between the end of the Session of Parliament and the 30th of November, the time at present is short enough for the surveys, and I do not think it would do to bring it back to the 30th of September, from which it was altered to November a few years since; but that it would be better to let the plan be deposited in Parliament before the Committees begin to sit in Parliament at all, and then the public would have the opportunity (say between the 1st of March and the ensuing Session of Parliament) of more time for examining the plans, and there would be no interference with the Bills in Parliament.

247. *Chairman.*] The Committee understand you to say, you consider a year's delay, between the plans being deposited and their being submitted to Parliament, would be rather advisable?—It would be nearly a year. I stated that having more time for consideration would be desirable.

248. Sir *Robert Peel.*] Supposing a small line uniting a town with the main line of railroad, which met with universal assent, and there was no opposition to it; would not that be rather obstructing the formation of a work of unquestionable utility, and which would not be objected to, by requiring such a length of time?—I think it might, but the Right honourable Baronet will thus see how impossible it is to lay down any general rule that will answer the purposes of the public, and at the same time will not be liable to such exception; and this applies to the formation of a railway commission or committee, as well as to the depositing of plans.

249. Might there not be some danger, that although there might be no opposition to the line 15 months before the Bill could pass the House of Commons, because you could not very well calculate upon a Bill passing before the latter end of May, supposing, in consequence of subsequent information, there was a desire to depart from the line so lodged, you must make some provision for that case.; it would be absurd to say, when they say, "we gave notice of that line, and now we have had an opportunity of examining it more fully we have a material departure to propose from it;" that they should not be allowed to do so?—It might be so; but perhaps by the early depositing of the general plan, the standing orders could be altered to allow a local deviation at a later period, which they do not now; and as respects the Right honourable Baronet's question, I would remark, that whether Parliament would allow any deviation from the plan deposited or not, a plan deposited on the 28th of February would be just as likely to be perfect as one deposited on or before the 30th of November, while the early depositing might allow of deviations being made and notice of them being given.

250. In the one case the parties will be called upon shortly to execute it, and their interest will be to take care it is as perfect as possible; if you require it shall go before that, is there not danger of offering an imperfect line?—I think not. The application to Parliament is seldom resolved upon, or the necessary orders given till there is just time, often too little, to do justice to the survey. There have been many illustrations of this in the present session, as the applications for amending the lines may perhaps prove. If it be resolved to alter the time for depositing, the orders for surveys would have to be given in the autumn of the year rather than now.

251. Sir *James Graham.*] Does any practical inconvenience arise from the present date of the 30th of November for lodging the plans and sections?—I am not aware of any in my profession, but the feeling of the Committee appeared to be that the time is not long enough.

252. What is your own judgment upon it?—As to judging of the great bearings of the great measure, it is perhaps too short, but this would be assisted if any railway board were formed. As respects private interference; I before stated, that a person having a copy or tracing of the plan and section in his hands, and knowing the district, would soon understand the bearings of the scheme upon his own interests, and for that the present time I think sufficient.

253. Mr. *Loch.*] Is it your opinion that those who are affected by the proposed measure, ought to have time to look into it?—Yes; but I do not remember to have heard a complaint upon that point; and as the Bill is never read a second time till after the Christmas holidays, it appears to me that the months of December and January, and I might almost say February, those three months are ample time to allow the measure to be looked at in the way the honourable Member refers to.

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254. Lord *Stanley*.] Do you think it would be desirable, supposing the contemplated lines of railroad and competing lines are still to be admitted before Parliamentary Committees, do you think it would be desirable that an opposition, to be raised upon that ground, should be given notice of some time previous to the meeting of Parliament, within a limited period of the original plans being deposited. At present, any party may come forward, and bring parts of any section, without any notice at all; do you think it desirable that notice should be given some time previous?—I think it would be desirable and proper to limit the time for competing lines; if you give a longer time between the depositing the plan and the bringing forward the measure in Parliament, perhaps a proper limit might be the 30th of November.

255. Your opinion is, supposing the period for depositing the plans should be thrown back as far as the month of March previous to the period of bringing in the Bill, something like the present period for depositing plans should be fixed for all parties to give notice who intend to oppose it on the ground of a competing line, although that should not be for seeking for a Bill during the session?—I think it would be desirable, and that they should define or lodge their competing line.

256. Can you suggest any mode by which the objection might be obviated, arising from the power of any landowner having the means of bringing forward a competing line, and thereby raising a sort of fictitious case?—I think it is extremely difficult to do so, otherwise than by leaving the Committee upon the Bill to form a judgment upon it. At present, the evil of these fictitious cases is more felt in the House of Lords, or rather in the Committees of that House, and obliges the promoters to buy off the threatened opposition at an immense cost; this is getting to be a sore evil.

257. Lord *Sandon*.] Do you think it will be possible to preclude the landowners, whose land the company propose to pass over, from showing there is a better line than that which is proposed, and thereby, in fact, letting in the case of a competing line?—It does not appear to me to be desirable to prevent any person from showing a competing line; but I think it is desirable that the parties who are promoters of the measure should have notice that a competing line is intended; and if this includes the landowners, the object will be effected. But after all, there are the "votes;" and the fear of an opposing majority causes the promoters to place little dependence upon the merits of the measure, or the demerits of the competing line.

258. Lord *Stanley*.] If the landowner, intending to show a better line avoiding his land, were to be called upon to give notice of his intention so to oppose that Bill, would it not be necessary that a long notice should be given to the parties proposing the Bill. Supposing on the 30th of November I receive a notice that my land is to be traversed, between the 30th of November and the meeting of Parliament, I have no time to have the surveys and sections prepared, if I am to be called upon to give notice, and prove by sections and plans that there is a better line, which would not interfere with me; would it not be necessary that the parties promoting the Bill should have a long notice?—It would be desirable.

259. Is there not great difficulty from the impossibility of delay in examining those competing lines, no notice having been had of the intention to bring them forward?—Yes.

260. If such notice is to be given, does it not necessarily follow that a long notice must be given of the original line?—Yes, particularly if the supposed competing line be of considerable length.

261. Supposing the parties bringing forward the competing line to have been called upon to give notice, at what time do you think they could fairly be called upon to give in their plan and section of the competing line?—I think the 30th of November, so as to give the promoters the opportunity of examining the competing line before the second reading of their Bill, when the heavy expenses are incurred.

262. Between the 30th of November and the second reading of the Bill, are you of opinion the parties would have ample time to prepare plans and sections of competing lines of considerable length?—Not to go very much into detail, if the Noble Lord means that the plans of the promoters are not to be deposited until the 30th of November, but a general comparative line might be prepared in that time (but certainly not a minute detail of it) in such a case, and for answering

answering that purpose, there is no doubt that more time would be desirable; and I need not add, that all this would be of little avail unless the Lords were to adopt the same rule.

263. Is it an impediment in the way of the Committee doing justice between the two parties?—I think it is.

264. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What cause do you give as a ground of injustice, and how do you conceive it creates that injustice?—I think a competing line being brought forward, and not being brought forward until the Bill is before the Committee, there is no time allowed for the promoters of a measure to have a fair opportunity of examining the competing line.

265. Does it not frequently happen that that turns more against the competing line than in its favour?—It turns more against it on that account, because, generally speaking, it may be supposed the measure brought before Parliament is the best line, the engineer who has the conducting of that having the choice of the country and the selection of the line; and because the competing line is often brought forward, not for the purpose of suggesting a better line between the two termini, but for the purpose of avoiding some private property, or insuring excessive compensation, or for some other private object not connected with the direct bearing of the line. It has been the case with me during the present session in the Hull and Selby Railway, when, after some progress had been made in the Committee on the Bill, a competing line was, to our astonishment, brought forward for four miles in length; it was a worse line, adopted upon a bird's-eye view of the country, by an engineer who did not go upon the ground he proposed to substitute. The Committee of the Commons was, I believe, unanimous in favour of the original line, and against the petitioner. On the third reading there was a majority of 128 to 9; but the competing line was again produced in the Lords, where a strong feeling in favour of the petitioner was shown; and we were obliged to send down, after the Bill had gone out of the House of Commons altogether, for the purpose of examining the competing line. The object of the opposition was, not to find a better line between Selby and Hull, or even to get the company to change the line in order to avoid the estate of the petitioner, Mr. Raikes, but to oblige the promoters to agree to a sum for special damages; and they were obliged to do so at last, in order to save their Bill, at what I considered an exorbitant amount.

266. Lord *Stanley.*] In your opinion, would it be practicable or advisable, in the case of a landowner wishing to oppose, by showing another line, that he should be prevented from doing so without having given certain previous notice of his intention to show such a line?—I think it would.

267. Do you think that any hardship would be done to such landowner by requiring him to give a certain notice of the line, and to deposit a plan and section previous to the second reading of the Bill?—I think not; but I think, if the line were existing, and the object of the competition by the competing line was not by an individual for a private purpose, but a general improvement of the line, that then the time between the 30th of November and the second reading of the Bill might be short for the original promoters examining a great competing line properly. In order to prevent landowners and others from being put to unnecessary expense by ill-digested schemes, there might be a power to declare the opposition "not frivolous;" and in such case, to order his expenses, or part, to be repaid, and the contrary, should he produce a competing line as a pretence for another object, and having no reasonable pretence to be considered as a competing line.

268. Then you return again to the opinion, if you are to require this previous notice, the original notice must be longer than is now given by the Standing Orders of Parliament?—Yes; I think I mentioned at the same time that I never heard any complaints made of the shortness of the time; in fact, we find the competing lines are very quickly brought up, as in the case I spoke of, although the engineers employed did not go over the ground to level; yet still it was considered by the House of Commons, and still more by the House of Lords, a competing line, and put the promoters to great expense, besides their being obliged to give, what I thought, excessive compensation before their Bill passed; and herein time was wanted to examine the line brought in as a competing line.

269. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Is not the amount of traffic a very important element in your consideration?—Yes.

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270. When is that amount of traffic proved?—In Committee, after the second reading of the Bill.

271. May not a landowner very fairly object to a line of railroad, which in the Committee seems to produce very little good, whereas he might not object previously, supposing that parts of the traffic between two particular points, upon examining into it, appear to be very insufficient, would it not be a hardship, that he should not be able to produce another line, which would produce much more traffic, and in other respects be more convenient?—I think any opposition of that sort would affect the principle of the Bill, and not affect the competition of the line.

272. Is it possible for the House of Commons to satisfactorily know what traffic is likely to be affected, until it has been investigated, and that by the Committee?—No; but generally that investigation would not materially assist the inquiry, as between the Parliamentary line or the competing line, although it sometimes would.

273. Might not the competing line have the means of acquiring traffic, which the first line would not have?—Yes, that is a case; but the fact is generally known to the promoters and the competitors before they prove it.

274. Have you had any communication with the Cheltenham and Tring railroad?—I have been applied to professionally, but declined it.

275. Sir *James Graham.*] Taking into consideration the comparative inconvenience of the different periods, does your opinion incline in favour of retaining the present period of the 30th of November, or going back to that which is the next best period, namely, the 1st of March?—I am disposed to think the 1st of March would be a public improvement; it would reduce considerably the applications for Bills for railways; at the same time I think the time from the 1st of March to the next Session of Parliament would cause a good many of the promoters of measures to consider of the project; and many of them, that are now brought forward in a hurry, might not proceed so far as they do now when the plan is deposited on the 30th of November, and immediately followed up by a Bill in Parliament.

276. If you take the 1st of March there would be no difficulty in fixing the period at which notices must be given?—No, not at all.

277. Supposing your opinion to be narrowed to those periods, namely, the 30th of November and the 1st of March, you think the 1st of March is the best, do you?—Yes; upon the whole I am disposed to say so.

278. Bearing the whole circumstances in mind, which do you think the best?—The 1st of March.

279. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Are not many projects made depending upon the contingency of whether the first project shall receive the sanction of Parliament, or not; does it not depend upon that whether they shall be formed or not?—Yes.

280. If you take the 1st of March as the time, would not that throw it over a long period; what time would it be practicable, supposing a Bill is passed by the 1st of August 1836, how soon could another Bill be taken into consideration to perfect that project taken on the 1st of March?—In the session of 1837-38.

281. Sir *Robert Peel.*] Would there not be one very great advantage in taking the 1st of March, that the Parliament of one session that had to decide on the railroads of that session, would have before them a knowledge of the schemes that were in contemplation for the next; and thus, therefore, although the lines might not be exactly competing, yet the Committee who had to decide upon the Bill, would also have the advantage of knowing what other project interfered at all with it, or was likely to be proposed in the ensuing session?—Yes, that would be an advantage.

282. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Have you ever turned your attention to the question, whether the parties promoting these projects ought to make a deposit previously to the bringing in of the Bill?—Not particularly.

283. You could give no opinion to the Committee upon the feasibility of this proposal being carried regularly into effect?—I should not like to give an opinion upon it, without taking some time to consider of it.

284. Supposing any deposit were to be enforced, what, in your opinion, ought to be the amount per cent. of the deposit; would you have a certain per centage of the amount proposed to be subscribed, to be deposited with some public

public body, to be kept until the Bill should either be passed or rejected?—If that were done it would operate against many of the projects. *James Walker*, Esq. 13 June 1836.

285. Would it not *bonâ fide* affect good projects, or would it only have the effect of stopping speculation?—In 1825 it would have had a good effect, and probably the same in 1835, but on the average the deposits called for at the time of subscribing, and the personal liability of subscribers appears to me sufficient security or check, if the list of subscribers be real, and they responsible, which is not always the case, but is important to be attended to.

286. *Chairman.*] Have you prepared a plan and section illustrative of the suggestions made by the Committee last Friday?—Yes; I have.

[*The Witness handed in the section.*]

287. Upon what scale are these?—The horizontal scale is four inches to the mile, and the vertical scale of the section is an inch to 100 feet.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Poulett Thomson.	Lord Stanley.
Sir John Wrottesley.	Mr. Loch.
Lord Granville Somerset.	Mr. Thornely.
Sir James Graham.	Lord Sandon.

Mr. POULETT THOMSON, IN THE CHAIR.

Captain *James Vetch*, called in; and Examined.

288. *Chairman.*] YOU belong to the Engineers?—I did belong to the Royal Engineers, and am at present on the retired list of that corps. *Capt. J. Vetch.* 4 July 1836.

289. Have you had any opportunity of examining the state and progress of railroads in the United States?—I had an opportunity of passing over the railroad from New Orleans to the Lake of Ponchartrin, in the year 1832, which is a railroad of about six miles extent.

290. Mr. *Thornely.*] On a dead level, of course?—On a dead level. The trains were then drawn by horse power; but since that time a locomotive engine has been established upon the road. The undertaking appears to have been a very expensive one for the United States, compared with the extent of railway, the total outlay of the company having amounted to 100,000 *l.* nearly.

291. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] To what cause do you attribute that?—The greatest part of the road lies through a morass; common labour costs there about a dollar a day, and there are extensive wharfs and other erections connected with the undertaking.

292. *Chairman.*] Have you seen any others?—Last year (1835) I travelled on the railroad between Saratoga and Schenectady, 21 miles long; on that from Schenectady to Albany, 15 miles long; on the railroad at Newcastle, connecting the Delaware and Chesapeake, 16 miles long; and lastly, I travelled over the railroad betwen South Amboy and Bordentown, 35 miles long.

293. Mr. *Thornely.*] That is also over a very flat country?—It is undulating, and some considerably deep cuttings were necessary.

294. *Chairman.*] Are there a variety of works of great extent in progress there?—There are; particularly the Pennsylvanian railroads. I have not, however, seen these; but observed a railroad in progress in the state of New York, from Schenectady to Utica, of 77 miles in extent. The longest railroad in America completed is that from Charlestown to a place called Hamburg, a distance of 135 miles.

295. Mr. *Loch.*] Are they constructed in the same manner as the English railroads?—The principal ones are exact copies of them.

296. Mr. *Thornely.*] Do you not know, in point of fact, that American engineers have

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have been sent to this country for the express purpose of examining the Liverpool and Manchester Railroad, and any others in progress?—I believe that to be the case.

297. And that locomotive engines and railway iron have been exported from this country to America?—I have understood so.

298. Mr. *Loch.*] By whom are the railroads in America constructed; by joint-stock companies or by the State?—Chiefly by joint-stock companies in Pennsylvania; several have been undertaken by the State.

299. In the case of joint-stock companies, how are they incorporated?—Speaking only from what I hear in the way of conversation and observation, they are incorporated by an Act of the State.

300. You do not know how that Act is applied for or obtained?—By petition, I believe.

300*. Do you know what notices they are obliged to give previous to applying?—I am not aware of the particulars.

301. And you do not know what the legislature of the State requires previously to its granting that which is sought to be obtained by the petition?—I am not aware of it.

302. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Are they laid down on any great project or plan, or are they sought and established as the necessity of communication between one particular point and another arises?—I believe they occur in both ways. Some of them are on very extensive scales, and the period of their execution must be much prolonged.

303. Do you know, with regard to that particular class of railroads, whether or no the petition to the States embraced all the railroads that are hereafter to be formed, as well as those which are now forming, or whether it only alluded to one particular railroad?—I understand only to one particular line of railroad.

304. Mr. *Thornley.*] Do you wish the Committee to understand that the legislature of each State authorizes the construction of a railway within its own State, but that the general Congress has nothing to do with it?—The railroads constructed in one State I believe to be perfectly independent of the Congress.

305. Is the Committee to understand that, supposing a railroad goes through two or three different States, each individual State exercises its own discretion with regard to granting the necessary powers?—It would be necessary, I presume, in that case, to procure an Act from each individual State through which the railroad is to pass.

306. And in such cases the supreme legislature does not interfere?—That is my understanding.

307. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you understand that there would be just the same objections to forming these railroads in America without the sanction of the State legislature or the general legislature, that there would be in England?—The same authority must be obtained.

308. From either the State legislature or the supreme legislature?—If it is to pass through property belonging to various individuals, there are no other means.

309. But of course, in many instances, it has to pass through property not of the same valuable description as in England?—The property of an individual is generally so much intermixed with other property that it can rarely happen that he would have the means of constructing a railroad entirely on his own property.

310. Could you state many instances of what we call turnpike roads being completely superseded in America by railroads being laid over them?—I should state that the common carriage communication between New York and Philadelphia is entirely superseded by means of railroads.

311. What you mean to say is, that where the turnpike road was, a railroad now is?—Not exactly, but nearly in the same line. Not exactly on the same ground; but it has, I may say, entirely superseded the turnpike road.

312. That is, that the means of communication has been completely converted into railroads?—I understand that to be the case with respect to the communication between New York and Philadelphia.

313. *Chairman.*] Has the State in many instances assisted the undertaking by funds?—The State of New York has assisted some of the undertakings by funds,

funds, but more particularly the canals. I think railroads have been more particularly carried on by companies.

314. Are you to be understood as saying that the only cause of the application to the State has been to compel the party through whose lands the railroad went to dispose of his land?—For that and for the usual powers given to joint-stock companies, of suing and being sued, and so on.

315. Mr. *Thornely.*] And to remove the personal liabilities of the parties?—Yes.

316. Have you any idea of the expense of obtaining an Act of that kind?—I believe in some cases it does not amount to above 200 or 300 dollars.

317. Which in English currency is only about 40 *l.* or 50 *l.*—Yes.

318. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Is there as violent opposition offered there to railroads being sanctioned by the legislature as there is in this country?—I cannot bring to my recollection any instance in which there has been such a rivalship.

319. Mr. *Thornely.*] Do you hear of the landowners offering opposition to railroads, or are they not in point of fact rejoiced when railroads pass through their land?—Nothing gives them more pleasure or satisfaction than that a railroad should pass through their property.

320. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] But the means of communication by other modes than railroads are so very different from England, that it is not a parallel case at all?—Not generally; but there is a very strong case of a similar nature, viz. the line of railroad which is now constructing parallel to and at no great distance from the Great Hudson and Erie canal; which, when completed, will connect Albany and Utica, a distance of 92 miles. Between these towns there exists also a coach road, which in the United States would be deemed a good carriage road.

321. Are you aware whether the persons who laid out their money on the canal, made any opposition to the formation of this railroad?—The canal was executed by the State of New York.

322. And by whom was the railroad constructing?—By a joint-stock company.

323. *Chairman.*] Have you thought at all upon the advantage to be derived from having any general survey made with a view to particular lines in Great Britain?—It appears to me it would be a most important and valuable undertaking, more particularly as the nation has been at a vast expense in accumulating the best materials, which would be very available for the purpose. I should think a great advantage would arise from a comprehensive plan, which would embrace and define the most appropriate lines of railroad, in every direction where a demand existed or was likely to arise, such general plan to be grounded upon the very correct materials accumulated by the Ordnance survey; and in fact the engineers of the railroads now in operation do often apply to that source to obtain correct information on the subject of their own particular railroads.

324. Mr. *Loch.*] What is the scale at which the Ordnance map is laid down?—They laid the survey two inches to the mile.

325. And it is engraved one mile to the inch?—It is.

326. But the original applotment is made at the rate of six inches to the mile?—No, on a scale of two inches to one mile.

327. And do the engineers obtain much assistance from that information?—I believe they do; when I have been at the Tower, accidentally, I have seen applications come in.

328. *Chairman.*] Will you state what the plan is you would propose to turn this to advantage?—I am not prepared to state in detail any plan for the purpose; what has occurred to me at present is simply this, that any commission or body appointed to design a general system of railway communication, would receive great facility from the data alluded to being already in existence and in possession of Government.

329. Do you mean to say that this information which is before the Board of Ordnance, contains all the particulars which are necessaryf or the selection of the best line of railroad between two given places?—Certainly not all the information; but it would lead an engineer to the lines to which he would direct his more immediate and more detailed inquiries. I should conceive that an engineer who was to design a railroad between any two distant points, would have considerable difficulty in selecting the line out of five or six or a

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dozen different lines which may suggest themselves to him, without an accurate and detailed plan before him; he must therefore either possess such a plan or proceed to construct one as a primary measure, otherwise he would proceed both with difficulty and hazard.

330. Would it dispense with the necessity of a detailed survey afterwards to be made by him?—It would dispense with the necessity of a new plan of the country, and lead the engineer easily and safely, on viewing the ground, to choose his line nearly, limiting his trials for level to a comparatively narrow compass. Detailed and working plans of the road itself would have to be made previous to putting the work in execution; but then detailed plans could not of course be formed or drawn until the line of railroad had been chosen.

331. Sir *James Graham.*] Do you know the number of Railroad Bills that have passed the House of Commons this Session?—No.

332. You are not aware of the number nor of the line which they take throughout the country?—Only in a very general manner.

333. But from that general knowledge, if the whole of these Railroad Bills pass into law, and the railroads be executed, do you not think the moment is gone by when such a general survey would be useful?—I have no doubt that from the improvement which is taking place by the communications by means of railroads, and the improvements in railroads themselves, that this general survey would be highly useful notwithstanding the great deal which has been already accomplished.

334. My question applies to the railroads before Parliament being all executed. As relates to England, what remains to be done. Will not all the leading communications between the principal points throughout England and the Metropolis be united by railroads?—I should conceive not one-half of what will be executed within the next 30 years.

335. Do you mean principal railroads between principal points, or ramifications of those now executed?—Either ramifications or parallel roads.

336. The ramifications would not be principal lines of communication?—But the parallel lines would be principal lines of communication.

337. A general survey would only be really applicable to rival undertakings to those already executed?—I do not consider them merely rival; for some of the roads might run parallel through a different tract of country, and yet tend to the same extremities.

338. You are aware that between London and the manufacturing districts parallel lines are not only already contemplated, but that Bills have been obtained for them?—To a certain extent I presume that to be the case; I entertain the opinion of a great increase of railway communication greatly from the consideration, that in the United States of America they have decidedly taken the lead in the wide extension of this means of transportation; they have already finished 1,600 miles of railroad, and have projected 3,000. Considering that we are likely to follow in the wake of the Americans, I conceive that the number of railroads now projected in England will be eventually doubled or trebled, and I should think this also a fair inference from what has been already executed and commenced in so short a period.

339. The Americans began with the general survey, and we should interpose it in the middle of our proceedings?—We are in a very different state from the Americans. Their country is at present comparatively very little cultivated, and their knowledge of their country by means of maps is very defective. They have not the means of proceeding by a survey such as we are alluding to.

340. Comparing the extent of their country with the works executed and contemplated with the extent of ours and the works executed and contemplated, do not the works contemplated and executed here bear a much larger proportion than theirs?—Decidedly; but the available capital of that country bears no such proportion to the extent of land as it bears in this.

341. *Chairman.*] Did the Americans begin by a general survey?—Certainly not; I am not aware of any such, at least.

342. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Neither do they contemplate it now, do they?—I am not aware that they do.

343. Mr. *Thornely.*] You were understood to say that there are 1,600 miles of railway now in use in America?—Actually completed on the 1st January 1835.

344. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Over what area do these 1,600 miles of railroad which

which are completed, and the 3,000 which are contemplated, spread, compared with the area which they would be likely to spread over in England and Scotland?—I should say, in proportion to the extents of territory.

345. Is not the extent of territory in America so very much greater than in England, that no fair comparison can be made as to the means of communication?—I should conceive that the railroads in America and the railroads in England would very nearly proportion themselves to the extent of the population, at some future day.

346. What is the extent of the population of America at this moment, do you know?—It is about fourteen millions.

347. That is about the population of England. Do you conceive that the same number of miles of railroad would be necessary in England to give good communications, as would be necessary in America to give good communications?—The difference is this, that the population in England is nearly stationary compared with that of the United States of America. The American population is increasing, and will increase no doubt so as to be equal, in proportion to its territory, to that which exists in England.

348. Is not the extent of territory there so great that the length of these lines of railroad must be necessarily greater?—If the population should remain in its present state, I should say the extent of railroads in America must be necessarily greater than in England, in respect to population.

349. Sir *J. Graham.*] Is not the population in America spread over a continent, and the population in England confined to a narrow island, the circumference of which is everywhere accessible by steam navigation?—It is to be observed that the number of navigable rivers in America presents the same or greater facility which the number of coast lines do in this country, and would therefore obviate to the same extent the necessity for constructing railroads.

350. Is the Ordnance survey far advanced in Ireland?—I am not aware exactly of the extent to which it has gone.

351. But in that portion of Ireland where the Ordnance Survey is not complete, could any survey bearing upon the future great lines of railroad be connected with it advantageously?—The dry geometrical part in Ireland has been nearly completed; therefore the exact distances and heights of an immense number of points have been determined, which would be highly useful.

352. But with a view to framing a survey for the formation of the great trunk railroads of Ireland, would it be necessary to go over it again?—The present data determine most accurately the position of a great number of useful points, and these points will enable the engineers to proceed to more detailed works, and give a great certainty and facility to their operations.

353. But with reference to such a survey as you would think desirable in England, a fresh survey would be necessary if it were thought desirable to extend it to Ireland?—Where the Ordnance Survey is not complete, detailed surveys would be necessary, but the present data would afford even there very great facilities.

354. You still retain your opinion, notwithstanding the number of railroads executed or in immediate progress, and you think that there would still be time on the part of the Government in England to interfere, to make this general survey for the main trunk?—I conceive it would be very useful. It would have lost much of the utility it might have had, but still I think the utility of it would authorize the undertaking of it.

355. Wherein would consist the utility, suppose the railroads now contemplated to be completed?—It would have for its object the determination of all future lines of railroad which might be required, on a combined plan, intended for general public benefit, and might be made the means of obviating that preliminary expense of railroads, incurred by the strife of rival companies to obtain monopolies of transportation carried over special lines for their own special purposes.

355*. And you really contemplate, that after the railroads now projected are executed between the leading points, there will be other railroads executed in England?—At a moderate supposition I should think they would be at least doubled.

356. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you know in what way the calculations of remuneration for the railroads are made: in what way do they calculate the traffic likely to pass along the line of railroad between two points?—I believe

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the general practice has been to station people to ascertain the number of coaches running, and to ascertain the traffic now existing, and also to add a certain proportion for the improvements that are expected to take place.

357. And do they not also take into calculation all the collateral passengers: taking a line between London and Birmingham, do they not take into consideration, not only the persons passing direct between London and Birmingham, but all the persons who are in the habit of passing either east or west of that line, so as to make Birmingham their point?—I am not aware.

358. If they calculate on double the number of the present passengers, they must take a little more into consideration than the mere traffic along the direct line?—I should imagine that the railroads now constructing in England would much tend to increase the value of property, and the produce of the soil, throughout the whole extent of territory; that the territory of England will become more like a garden, and more thickly populated, and that lines of communication by railroad will get more into demand.

359. To the extent of doubling the traffic?—Yes.

360. You do not happen to know any of the calculations upon which the Brighton railroads have been carrying on?—I do not.

361. Did they happen to look at the dry geometrical surveys?—I presume they did, as one essential element in their calculations.

362. Do you know whether the engineer for Stephenson's line looked at it?—I do not know.

363. What information could they derive from those surveys?—A correct knowledge of most of the details for determining the best line of road; in fact, all the topographical data which could be conveniently supplied previous to the selection of the line of road. And though a good plan of the country would not preclude the precaution of viewing the ground previous to selecting a line, yet in many cases it would reduce the operation to little more than a matter of form.

364. By the observation of those details would the Committee or any other tribunal have been able to form a better judgment than by hearing the *vivâ voce* evidence of different engineers?—I should conceive, that by a very detailed and accurate map of the country, any gentleman would be able to judge on many points, where a detailed oral testimony would not be understood.

365. Not with the assistance of maps laid before them?—The assistance to be derived from good maps and plans of the country is the very question which I understand you have just now been putting to me.

366. Supposing your project was carried into execution, what further assistance would be afforded to the tribunal which had to decide whether one line was better than another, than they now have?—I do not know who is the author of the project, but I understood my opinion was asked as to the value of drawing up a plan of a general and combined system of railway communication throughout the country. I gave an opinion in favour of that plan, and stated that the execution of it would be much facilitated from the circumstance that the necessary preliminary data, viz. correct plans of the country, were already in the possession of Government.

367. Could any detailed map give all those particulars on which a good and sound opinion might be founded?—Correctly, as far as horizontal position is concerned; but, with the exception of some points, the vertical positions would only be known approximately and relatively.

368. Take embankments, tunnels, inclined planes, and so forth; could any map you can imagine give such information, as to the whole country, as would enable a Committee to form a correct judgment?—Simply as to horizontal positions, accurately.

369. But not on the other points?—Not on the sections, farther than an approximation.

370. Then, in addition to those horizontal positions, you must have various other statements made?—Sections must be added to it. I conceive that the preliminary matter is always the horizontal plan; the next step is the section.

371. In forming a line of railroad, supposing you are to make a railroad between two termini a hundred miles apart, what circumstances besides the mere general characters of the country would you take into account, or would you take any?—I fear I have not heard your question correctly.

372. Would you conceive it your duty, if called on to project a line of railroad

road between London and Norwich, to take into consideration simply which was the best engineering line, or to take into consideration other circumstances, such as the population of one district, and the necessity of providing for its accommodation, and the extent of other means of communication, and so forth?—First of all, I should consider the general benefit of the population through which the line was to pass, as the primary object of the road; but the next consideration would be to execute the line in the cheapest possible manner, so as to have the least cutting in one place, and the least embankment in another.

373. Do you mean without reference to the facilities of communication; would you not also take into consideration the collateral advantages of another line?—I have stated that the first object, I should conceive, would be to consult the advantage of the population through which the line was to pass, and secondly, to make the line as cheaply as the physical state of the country would admit.

374. Would it not be important to consider not only the convenience of the population through which the railroad was to pass, but whether it might not be worth while to deviate from the straight line in some places?—I conceive that I answered that, when I stated that I should consult the convenience of the country through which the railroad passed. I have not spoken one word about straight lines.

375. Would not another consideration be the extent of private injury done by one line, as compared with that done by another?—As far as my individual opinion goes, I should not choose to lay the same stress on that circumstance as on the other two, because I am of opinion that private rights in the soil should not be allowed to obstruct important measures of public benefit.

376. Without reference to justice or injustice towards private individuals, is it not a great consideration with parties petitioning Parliament for a line of railroad, that they should have as little opposition from individuals whose interests they affect as possible?—It is no doubt a great consideration with parties striving for monopolies of lines of communication to smooth down all opposition, sparing no expense to gain their object; and in many instances, if they accomplish it, I believe the parties care very little whether the line they have adopted be exactly the best or the cheapest; and this is exactly one of the most important reasons for drawing up a general plan of railways under the auspices of Government.

377. Would you do away with the power of private individuals to make representations to Parliament, and to be listened to by Parliament, in cases of private injury?—I would have their complaints inquired into, and I would have injury to them prevented as far as possible, and of course compensation made for what was unavoidable.

378. If a great mass of opposition arises from private parties whose land and property is to be affected, is not that alone an objection to a line of railroad, as a mere matter of economy?—I do not think that private rights in the soil should be suffered to form an objection. If we devote our attention to the rising interest of the country and the advantage of the people at large, private interests should give way.

379. Does not strong opposition cause great expense to parties who introduce Bills to Parliament?—I should think that the preliminary expenses form, unnecessarily, one great source of the expense of a railroad.

380. In what way would your proposed survey obviate the difficulty which now exists from that cause?—The only advantage which the previous survey would confer, I apprehend, would be this, to enable the Legislature to adopt with precision the line which would be most useful to the country at large.

381. The only point that the Legislature would gain from your survey would be a knowledge of the horizontal positions?—Yes, from the Ordnance Surveys as they now stand.

382. That is the only advantage they would gain; all the other points that we have been discussing would remain as they are now?—The horizontal position of the railroad must be chosen before many other particulars can be entered into; but, by the shading of the ground, the Ordnance Surveys also give a good general idea of the sections.

383. Would you mark down in your map the various inequalities in the ground?—The absolute inequalities, that is the absolute heights, are not known from the Ordnance maps, but they may be generally inferred from the

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shading attached to the hills. You can see from the Ordnance map how far a line could run nearly horizontal, and you could see also, in a great measure, where a railroad could not run with propriety.

384. Can you not do that in most cases with the maps already in existence?—In my answers to the last questions I have been alluding to the Ordnance maps and plans, now in existence, and not to the proposed general plan to be founded on these (as preliminary data) for a systematic and combined arrangement of the railway communication of the United Kingdom.

385. *Chairman.*] Have not the parties now an opportunity of consulting that general survey?—The parties interested in particular lines of railway have the means of consulting the published Ordnance maps, on a scale of one mile to one inch; but it would be impossible, with a due regard to the preservation of the original drawings, on a scale of one mile to two inches, to permit a general or indiscriminate access to them; though to a limited extent, and as a mere matter of courtesy, this indulgence might be granted.

386. In the case of rival lines, is it not likely that the party wishing to have one line adopted, and therefore meaning to oppose another, would, for the purpose of his opposition, examine most accurately these Ordnance Surveys, and use them as far as he could to defeat his opponent?—No doubt; but for the purpose of exaggerating defects and decrying excellencies; not with a view to establish truth, but to gain his own ends.

387. Does he not then in reality get all the advantages, as far as they are embraced in a horizontal plan, that he could receive under a fresh survey?—I think he might; but would the engineer employ the knowledge he obtained for the general interest of the public, in opposition to the particular interests of his employers? It may be necessary here to correct an impression which my evidence appears to have made. I have not intended to say that a fresh survey of the country would be a useful undertaking; but that a general plan and report, grounded on surveys already in existence, would be useful.

388. Must you not, for the purpose of obtaining that report, lay down some particulars, on which you would seek for information, such as that you wished to know the best line between two given places?—We will suppose, for instance, that a railroad is required from London to Brighton; there are now, I believe, five contending lines. With the documents in the possession of Government to refer to, and with a committee of civil engineers, those gentlemen would be able to give more impartial testimony, and to point out a more correct line of road than any taken up by particular individuals for particular purposes.

389. Do you not think that the conflicting interests of the different opponents of those five lines, would bring out in Committee all the information that could be obtained from the Ordnance Survey as it at present stands?—It would probably be the means of bringing out every possible information; but I should conceive that it would be very difficult to draw from that source alone, exactly the best line of road, from the number of conflicting testimonies offered.

390. Would you propose to refer these conflicting lines to a body who should judge of them from the information which they could collect from the Ordnance Survey?—From the Ordnance Survey in the first instance, and from a detailed examination in the second.

391. What do you mean by a detailed examination; do you mean a fresh survey accompanied by sections?—Not a fresh survey, but sections in various parts to ascertain the different levels exactly.

392. In fact, that must be a fresh personal survey; it must be done upon the ground?—It would be simply a personal inspection of the ground, with trials to ascertain the lowest and the highest levels in some particular places.

393. Sir *James Graham.*] Supposing such a survey as you just now mentioned had been executed between London and Brighton, and the Government Survey were identical with Stephenson's present line, in what respect would the investigation before the Committee have been different from that which has just taken place between Stephenson's line and Rennie's?—To investigate the comparative merits of Rennie's line and Stephenson's, and of Rennie's and one identical to Stephenson's, is the same thing.

394. It would not aid the decision of the Committee in the least, with respect to the comparative merits of the two lines?—I conceive the opinion of a commission of professional men ought to aid the decision of gentlemen less competent in the matter.

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395. It would be the opinion of the Government engineer, instead of the opinion of Mr. Stephenson, and that would be the whole difference?—You would have the opinion of a disinterested body of men, selected for their ability, in favour of the line of which you also have approved.

396. Are you correctly understood when you are supposed to have said, that although you would make the public convenience the primary object in selecting a line of railroad, you would not exclude from your consideration cases where individual injury might be inflicted by it?—Individual injury, I presume, would be compensated for in some other manner.

397. You would compensate a man in a different way if you went through his flower-garden, to what you would if you went through a field three miles from his house?—Decidedly.

398. With a view to the public convenience in framing your plan, if passing through a flower-garden would preserve the horizontal level, and going two miles off would throw you into a lower level, would you, regardless of expense, prefer the horizontal line at the greater cost?—If such an improbable case should arise, as that of lessening the expense of a railroad by going two miles off and getting into a lower level, merely through the greater cheapness of the land, then I should conceive it necessary to take into account not simply the first cost of the two lines, but also the increased current expenses of the railway when completed, which had been deflected both horizontally and vertically from its natural position.

399. After all, the Government survey would not be the whole engineering survey, but it would be one into which a great many other considerations must enter?—I conceive that one of the primary considerations in every railroad or public work must be the expense of it, and that no mere commercial or physical advantages can decide the question of a railway, without also taking into account the expense of it.

400. And one ingredient in that expense must be the individual injury you inflict?—Yes.

401. Can that be better guarded against than it is at present by the money interest of the parties projecting the work?—I should conceive that, as far as that point can apply, it could not.

402. Would not their interest be better so secured than by any discretion to be exercised by the Government officers, to whom no such money considerations would present themselves as of paramount importance?—If it be the object of Parliament to promote joint stock companies, disregardless of public benefit, I consider the interests of the first will be best served by interfering as little as possible with them. But I have always conceived, in questions of much public interest (such as a monopoly of the highways of the kingdom), the duty of Parliament lay quite the other way.

403. *Chairman.*] Will you have the goodness to state to the Committee any plan you have formed, by which this additional information, to enable the Committees of the House of Commons or the Government to judge of the advantages of particular railroads, might be obtained?—I should beg leave at present to state, that I only received this summons on Saturday morning, and am not prepared with any detailed proposition. I am afraid that, with reference to a general survey, I have not understood the same thing as the Committee. I have not recommended a new topographical survey, but simply an examination and a general report derived essentially from the Ordnance surveys now existing, by a commission competent to make it.

404. An inspection and report upon what?—Upon the best lines of railroads.

405. Taking any particular places not before Parliament, or with reference to those which might be before Parliament?—With respect to the whole. I have been questioned as to the value of a general survey for the railway communications of the country at large, and I have approved of such an undertaking. I wish, however, clearly to be understood as not meaning a new topographical survey of the country, but a report by a competent body, the substance of which would be essentially derived from an examination of surveys which now exist.

406. As to the best lines that could be adopted to give general facility of communication through the country?—Yes.

407. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] And you would call upon them also to take into consideration those various other circumstances to which you have before alluded?—That would be very essential.

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408. Supposing the opinion of these Government officers should have been in favour of neither Stephenson's line nor of Rennie's, but of Cundy's line, but that no party was found to support his line, would you say that Parliament ought not to grant a Bill in favour either of Sir John Rennie or of Mr. Stephenson, the public being anxious for one measure or the other?—I should conceive that if the commission and Parliament came to, and expressed a decided opinion that any one line was the best, funds would easily be found to carry it into effect.

409. Sir *J. Graham.*] The question put to you supposes that there are funds ready to undertake either of the other two, and none for the one which the Government engineer says is the best. Would you have Government refuse both or either of the other plans, because the plan of the Government surveyor was not approved of by the public?—That is a case which I think would hardly arise. There are now five projects between Brighton and London, and if Government should select one and refuse the other four, there would be superabundance of capital ready to be embarked upon that one which was selected.

410. Supposing the Government line afforded somewhat greater public convenience, but produced much greater private injury, and consequently greater cost, and that the other line afforded great public convenience, though not so great as the Government line, and produced much less private injury, and consequently much less cost, would you still say it would be right to adopt the Government line, which would be the best in point of engineering excellence?—I apply the term excellence to that which costs the least, and gives the public the most advantage. I cannot conceive excellence to belong to any other plan.

411. Lord *Stanley.*] Do you not consider that there would be some private injuries which it would be impossible to measure in the way of compensation?—I am not aware at present.

412. Is it not possible so completely to destroy a place as to render it uninhabitable, and is any money compensation you put down sufficient for that?—I think it would be a great question with the possessor of that house how far he would allow his private feelings to stand in the way of a great public benefit; for it is obvious that if a railroad could be conducted some short distance from the house without increasing the expense materially, it would be done. If the invasion of private rights in the soil is absolutely necessary, then it is not to be supposed that private feeling would oppose itself to a great public benefit.

413. Supposing your carrying one line of railroad which might be preferable depended entirely on passing through a narrow valley, one of only two outlets through a ridge of hills, and that the whole of that narrow valley was in some place or other occupied by a gentleman's house and property, and that he refused his consent; would you in that case recommend passing through that valley and destroying the place?—If the importance of it was very great, I should say that a compulsory sale of private property should be effected for the public benefit.

414. A recommendation from a Government engineer with regard to the advantages of a line would be a much stronger pressure on the individual possessing the property, than the desire of any company to pass through it, would it not?—I should imagine that persons appointed by Government, would have greater weight with the country than private individuals.

415. In the case that has been put to you, of one line inflicting the serious injury of destroying a place but being the preferable line, and no objection being taken to the other, the less advantageous line, those being the only two lines between which it was possible to choose, would you recommend that the consent of Parliament should be refused to the line which the Government engineer had not recommended, because he had recommended a line which in an engineering point of view was preferable, but to which private consent could not be obtained?—I should consider under those circumstances, that Parliament was not legislating for a day or a year or for a short number of years, but that the railroad was to endure for centuries, and that the interest of the country for centuries must be taken into account, and in that view individual feelings should give place.

416. Sir *J. Graham.*] In short, you would run your railway very much upon the same principle as your trigonometrical survey line?—Yes.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Poulett Thomson.	Mr. Patrick Stewart.
Lord Granville Somerset.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Loch.	Sir James Graham.

MR. POULETT THOMSON, IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *William Locke*, called in; and Examined.

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417. *Chairman.*] HAVE you made any surveys for railways?—Yes, I have.

418. What period of the year did you take for making your surveys?—We are generally confined to the latter period of the year, in consequence of the parties not having arranged their plans for the lines until probably the middle of the year; so that there are only the two or three latter months previous to the 30th of November left to spare to make those surveys; sometimes only one month, depending on the magnitude of the line.

419. That would reduce it to the month of November, and sometimes the months of September and October in addition?—Yes. I have known instances where instructions have not been given to the engineer till the 1st of November, giving only a month for the survey; these of course are short lines; a long line could not be got up in that time; but generally speaking, it is the middle of the year that the railroad companies give their instructions to the engineer, and from the month of August till November are the months in which the surveys are generally made.

420. Are those months convenient months for making surveys, as far as natural circumstances can be taken into account?—I think the most convenient months of the year for it is after the hay harvest is over, and the corn harvest, when we start; and immediately after the corn harvest is over we are able to do a great deal of work; in fact we can do as much work in one day then, as in a week at another time.

421. That would be in the beginning of October, particularly in the north of England, when the corn harvest was over?—Yes, it comes to the middle of September; I should say it should be October and November, in which a great deal of work may be done.

422. Have you ever attempted to survey in June and July?—Yes, I have frequently done it.

423. Were those convenient months?—No, they were very inconvenient.

424. State the inconvenience you experienced?—On account of the standing corn, when we begin very early in the season, we are obliged to interfere very much with the crops, and it is very awkward both for the farmers and the surveyors, and frequently we are obliged to stop altogether.

425. What should you say as to January, February and March; are they convenient months?—They are inconvenient as respects property being seen; very often snow is on the ground, and if so it is very inconvenient to survey; I think snow is a very great obstruction, not only by stopping his progress, but also preventing his seeing the country; for we cannot judge of the undulations of the country so well.

426. Is it not an advantage in surveying to have the leaves off the trees?—No, not for such surveys as I have been directing my attention to; it is desirable in examining a country for a survey; but I am speaking of the duty of the surveyor in making maps; it is desirable to have them off the trees when making a survey, but it is not so essential in making a map of the country.

427. Is that the species of survey you require for a railroad?—Certainly; in fact, from the practice of the engineers now, there is no other part of the year we could devote to surveys of this kind. They come to Parliament at the beginning of February; they are fully engaged till the end of July; the engineers are almost all in London at this moment, and they have no time, till Parliament liberates them, to go on surveys, and deposit their plans. Engineers are required in London during

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during the session, and there is no other time but that after the close of the session of Parliament to make their surveys and deposit their plans.

428. The most convenient time to begin, as far as the ground is concerned, is about the middle of September?—Yes. I have some surveyors at work in the north of England at this moment; but I have no doubt of their meeting with standing corn, or something of that kind, and we shall have to pay the tenants for some extra trespass, or to wait. I have no doubt that payment of them will be the means resorted to.

429. Would it be inconvenient, in your opinion, to change the time at which the plans must be now put in, namely, the 30th November, to the 30th of October?—No, I do not think it would be very inconvenient; I think it might be spared; but it is taking off one month of the very best portion of the year; for after the crops are off the ground, it is very important to have as much time as possible for depositing the plans; but that will very much depend upon the length of line; if we were surveying a short line, it could be done before the 30th of October very well; if it was a long line, it might require the whole time till the 30th of November.

430. To the end of October would leave you in all about six weeks, under the most favourable circumstances?—Yes, I think it would.

431. Is six weeks, in your opinion, a sufficient time for the survey of a considerable line, with care and attention?—No, I do not think it is: previously to setting the surveyors to work in the fields, the engineer is obliged to be on the line to make the examination himself, and then he depends upon his report and surveys before he can fix on the line; and then, when the survey is fixed, all the details and maps have to be made: I do not think, for a long line, six weeks is sufficient.

432. In order to complete the survey of a line for 40 or 50 miles, what time do you think ought really to be given?—If it were in the best time of the year, the latter part of the year, I think it might be made in three months; but much will depend upon the country: in flat countries there are no natural impediments, but if you come to an undulating country, and have to thread your way through vallies, then three months would be scarcely sufficient; but I would speak with great caution; that which would be sufficient time in one country would be by no means sufficient in another.

433. Is it your opinion that the time practically devoted to surveys is generally too short?—Yes; but that arises more from the lateness of the period at which the engineers have their instructions, and it has been more observable in the last session of Parliament than any I have ever known. I have known of some, during the last session, where they received their instructions after the first week for very considerable lines, and that they have been got up in very great haste, and the plans, almost stuck together, deposited just before the 30th of November: they may have got the best line, I do not mean to say they have not, but still it is not a sufficient time to prepare those lines; but I am afraid the same thing would occur whatever period was fixed, for there is speculation abroad, and persons may make up their mind very suddenly, and give but the shortest possible time to get the plans prepared.

434. Would it not be desirable that parties should have an opportunity of revising the line first laid down, perhaps in a very hurried way?—Where lines have been laid down in a very hurried way, I think it would be very desirable; but I think, in most cases before this year, certainly sufficient time has generally been given to complete the different lines.

435. Taking some of the lines which have been introduced into Parliament this year with which you are acquainted, do you think the major part of them would not have been improved if additional time had been afforded for a revision?—I think, generally speaking, they would.

436. You think that in consequence of the want of that time they are less perfect than they ought to be?—I think they are; I think I know several.

437. What is your opinion of an alteration in the Standing Orders, making the time for putting in plans the 1st of March instead of 30th of November, as it stands at present; the effect of which would, with the exception of the next year, in future give a longer time by six months, making a difference of one session of Parliament for railroad plans?—I do not see how it could be at all compatible with the present duties of the engineer to do that: I do not think it is practicable; for instance, an engineer must necessarily superintend the plans at the time of their formation before they are deposited; he must be on the spot when they are deposited. Now in March he must necessarily be here, unless the plans were deposited

sited before the meeting of Parliament; he cannot be attending Parliament and superintending plans at the same time; if Parliament did not meet till after the deposit of the plans, that objection would not apply.

438. Your objection is, that you imagine the engineer would be wanted previously to investigate the line in Parliament for business here, and that therefore he could not be employed upon the plans?—Yes.

439. Supposing that no plan were to be considered till after the 1st of March, then the presence of the engineer would not be required?—If he were not required in London that objection would not hold; and my only objection is, that it is not so good a time of the year for the engineer to make his surveys as it is in the latter part of the year; for instance, supposing he received his instructions to make his surveys on lines as we have had last year, and those instructions were not given till January, they would be imperfectly done, unless the parties can be compelled to give the engineer sufficient time: it might be done, but I fear that the alteration would lead to its not being so well done as it is at present.

440. Supposing that, at the same time that the plan was required to be deposited on the 1st of March, he had an opportunity of revising that plan, and making certain alterations within certain limits prior to the 30th of November, would not that be a great advantage?—Yes, that might be a great advantage, if one could see any desirable object in depositing it so soon as March; I should prefer that he should have the whole year without limitation.

441. Mr. *Loch.*] You understand the plan proposed by the question to be, that the plan should be deposited before the 1st of March, then that the whole of the engineer's attention should be given to revise the plan, and for the persons whose land is affected to look to the line which has been surveyed, and then that they should not come to Parliament until the following years?—Yes; and in my opinion it is useless to deposit the plan eight months sooner than at present, unless during that eight months we are to have the opportunity of making improvements to some extent.

442. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] When a company is formed, orders are given to the engineer to go into the field, survey, and make the plans necessary to be deposited with the clerk of the peace; those orders, you say, are given at the last moment possible?—Generally they are.

443. Is it your opinion, that if the alteration were made to the 1st of March instead of 30th of November, the disposition of parties would be to drive off the giving the definite orders to the engineer to the month of January?—I think it would be just as at present; it would be only shifting the day, and then the engineer would not have the best opportunity of doing it.

444. Do you think that having a longer period between the moment of lodging the plan and the parties coming before Parliament, would lead to their coming to an agreement on the subject?—No; I think it might prevent parties starting at all, but it would not prevent parties being very hasty in their determination.

445. Then would this be the consequence, that they would give their directions in the month of January, that the engineer would make a slovenly survey from the necessity of the season, and relying upon the subsequent permission to alter his line, and to make it perfect so as to meet the proper view of the case?—Yes; if he is not restricted at all in the latter part of the year, I see no objection myself in the first deposit; there should be some restriction; he must be kept within some bounds.

446. Supposing there should be any deviation beyond a mile in length, for instance, do you think that would induce an engineer to make a very slovenly survey?—I have seen sometimes deviations made more than a mile—several miles; therefore, if he was proposed to be limited to one mile, that might have the effect of shutting out a much better line, and, by putting it into a better part of the year, he might be enabled to make a better survey a month or two previous to November.

447. Would the permission to deviate one mile make a party more slovenly?—I think not, for this reason; that they would know that the limitation of one mile being the extent, they must necessarily be careful lest the best line should be beyond that limitation; therefore they would be as exact as they possibly could, to get the best line.

448. Would it have this effect, that the engineer would, in the first instance, take the best line of country, without reference to convenience, passing through parks and houses, and so on, and then rely on the intervening time to overcome

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those difficulties?—I think a mile would be sufficient to divert the line, for the convenience of landowners' residences, and so on, to avoid particular objects; but I am afraid they would not get the best line.

449. Might it not subject landowner *A.* to inconvenience, for the purpose of relieving landowner *B.*?—Yes, but then I think that would be done by arrangement; though if there was a decided opponent in one case, and there was a proposal to take the line to another less decided or less powerful, an injury might be inflicted upon him.

450. Then by taking away the line from landowner *B.* he might be lulled into security, and subject to inconvenience in consequence?—It might be so.

451. You think, practically speaking, it would not have the effect of causing lines to be more carefully surveyed than at present, though it might have the effect of deterring from schemes being carried forward?—I think the alteration of the time might have a bad effect, and that the best lines might not be selected if the engineer was deprived of the best part of the year. When an engineer is put to a little extremity in making a survey of this description, if the weather be fine and the days are long he can get through a great deal of work; but I am afraid in the time proposed the lines would not be so well selected.

452. Mr. *P. Stewart.*] Would not the length of time allowed for the deposit occasion the plans being more correct?—Yes; but I am afraid the time allowed to the engineer would be less convenient than at present.

453. Would not the plans lying seven or eight months after they have been made, lead to their improvement?—Yes; but railroad companies do not give their instructions till the latest period within which the work can be done; if the engineer has only one month of the very worst season of the year to prepare the plans, it is impossible; give him a month at the latter part of the summer, and he has far greater facilities for making a correct survey.

454. Would not the two circumstances referred to; first of all the securing a better time for surveying, and next, the plans lying for seven or eight months under criticism and inspection, operate to counteract that which you have spoken of as objectionable, namely, the hastiness of the orders given to engineers?—I think not; I think that companies would not be formed a bit the sooner, and that they would not fix their plans in October, but that they would in that case go on till January, and leave the engineer just the same time as he has now.

455. Sir *James Graham.*] The landowner would have much longer notice?—Yes, he would; if there is any difficulty at all as to the landowner, he would have the advantage of that time; though I think from November to February he has sufficient time; the notices are given at the time the plans are deposited, and then he is waited upon for his consent.

456. That is very often at the last moment, is it not?—Yes; but the depositing of the plan with the clerk of the peace, and with the parish clerks, gives very considerable notice; but practically speaking every person knows where the line is to go, every landowner knows it from the survey, and the engineer meets with persons all the way through, and all understand where it is going.

457. All that the first notice tells him is, that it will pass through his parish; but it does not tell him the line through that parish?—No, it does not, certainly.

458. He does not know whether it will touch his estate?—He certainly knows from the line the surveyor is taking; when I have met landowners in surveying a line they learn that from what I am doing, and from conversation with the surveyor.

459. The length of the notice would be an advantage to the landowner, in considering the effect of the measure on his property?—Yes; if the present time is not considered sufficient for the landowner, it is a matter of consideration whether you would benefit the landowner by giving him more time, and whether it would not interfere with the progress of public works to allow them to lie open so long.

460. Mr. *P. Stewart.*] Would not the extending the time allowed to parties for opposing plans have the effect of making the original plan more accurate?—The system now of opposing railway bills in Parliament is so very strict and rigid, every engineer considers it necessary to be most accurate in his plans; and the only objection to altering the time is, that he would be compelled to exercise his skill and accuracy at a bad time of the year; there is not the same means of making his plans correct in the same length of time.

461. *Chairman.*] Why is February a worse month than November?—We must take two months before that; October is a much finer month than February.

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462. Mr. *Loch.*] Would not projectors accommodate themselves to their new circumstances, survey and draft their plans a little earlier, and would not that be a great advantage?—I am afraid projectors do not often consider that question.

463. Then is it not better that they should, in coming before Parliament, be prepared with the whole of their case?—I am not a good judge of that.

464. *Chairman.*] Is there not a case in which you yourself have been pressed extremely to prepare to survey in the months of June and July, or earlier than that?—Yes; I have two or three surveys at work; I have persons actually at work now, preparing for next time of depositing; but it would be very awkward for those persons to be compelled to deposit their plans next March, and then to lie over for two years or more before the passing of the Act: I think that would have a serious effect on the dispositions of parties to engage in these undertakings.

465. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] You think the parties would not like to lock up their capital for that time?—Certainly not; if the time for deposit was not till next March, they would not survey probably till later in the year, and instead of the advantage of the whole summer, which I shall have till October, I should have the advantage only of beginning in October and ending in March; I certainly can do more work long as the days are at present.

466. Mr. *P. Stewart.*] You think it better to traverse the country when it is clear of crops?—Yes; but let us have it clear of snow and foggy weather. I have been out examining the country in the month of February, when I could not see 20 yards before me. I have known lines nearly almost spoiled. I have known reports actually wrong, describing lines impracticable, in consequence of not being able to see an extended distance, arising from the fog.

467. Sir *James Graham.*] Do not the leaves obstruct the view in October?—Yes; when we go for a general survey they do, but not for minute surveys; when we are mapping a field the leaves are of no consequence, but I had rather have the leaves than have a fog.

468. Mr. *Loch.*] If the 1st of January were substituted for the 1st of March, your observations would not apply?—No; if the parties would only give a little more time it would be better; if they give us the instructions the 1st of October, we have but one month. If instead of that they gave them on the 1st of December we should be still worse off, October being the better month of the two.

469. Mr. *P. Stewart.*] Is there anything you can suggest, that would be more likely to induce the parties to give you longer time, than that the plans should be subject to continual criticism and examination, and that there should be a power of altering them; the surveyor could take advantage of a particular time of year in making his survey. It is necessary to make arrangements before the making out the prospectus. Very little could be done in a day in the bad season of the year, but in the summer time we can begin early, and work till nine o'clock at night. I am very much in favour of having the surveys made in the summer or autumn; autumn certainly, after the crops; from August to November is generally the best time of the year.

470. In grass districts it does not signify at what time of the year?—No, not so much.

471. *Chairman.*] In the corn districts you cannot begin till about the middle of September?—No, we cannot in the north.

472. *Chairman.*] Your opinion is, that nothing you can do would prevent parties delaying their instructions to the engineer to prepare the plans till the last moment?—I am afraid not; and if the same disposition should exist as has done hitherto, it will be very difficult to get the plans ready. An engineer may do a great deal if he has fine weather, even though the time is limited.

473. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do not lines, intended to be brought forward the ensuing year, depend very much upon the result of the lines sought for in the current year?—Certainly, that is very probable; some lines would never be brought forward, if others, which are before Parliament, were to pass.

474. This proposal would have the effect of throwing over what may be called those contingent lines for two years?—Yes; I think that the effect would be, that instead of depositing the plan for the next year, it would be 20 months in fact before the Act could be obtained.

475. You think that would be very likely to prevent parties engaging in those plans?—That is my impression.

476. Under the view that it is desirable for Parliament, before it passes one projected line, to know what are the competing lines, would not a great advantage

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be derived from having a project of this kind before Parliament, before the other is passed?—Under the present standing order there is no difficulty in bringing forward competing lines; a great many have been brought forward this year; I do not know why any more time should be allowed than at present.

477. Might it not happen, under present circumstances, that competing lines might be brought forward as a kind of opposition to a projected measure, which have not sufficiently matured themselves?—I have no doubt of that.

478. Would not this notice have the effect of enabling Parliament to be thoroughly aware, before it sanctioned one line, what the competing lines were?—Yes; but there have been more projects of competing lines brought forward than ever before; and to legislate upon that which has been done would be taking that as a proper average of the disposition of the railroad companies for next year; probably we may have much less competition and fewer competing lines; and if we have none but *bonâ fide* lines, the altering the standing orders would not be necessary.

479. You think that what has occurred this session will not be likely to occur again, and that the alteration of the Standing Orders is not necessary?—I think there has been a change of the public mind on the subject of railroads, which we shall not witness again; there has been a great deal of money expended, and railroad parties, before they pay up another call, will look about them.

480. You think that they will be contented with what they have done?—Yes, I think there will be less disposition to bring forward opposing railroads; parties will not embark in a scheme which will have the effect of opposing another line; there are three or four lines to Brighton, and three or four to other places. I think when once the best line is settled, that parties will consider no more of competing lines, but will turn their capital and attention to another district.

481. You think that the capital advanced in future will not be so much in competing lines as in railways, for which no plan has been brought forward?—Yes; but then five or ten years hence we may have a good deal of money in the country, and may have competing lines brought forward; but I think we shall have no more of it at present; I think the change in the share-market has shown that.

482. The change in the share-market, you conceive, is not the consequence of Mr. Morrison's proposed regulations?—No; for since that was withdrawn the shares have gone still lower.

483. Would there be any objection to increasing the proportions on the map; to have a scale of four inches to the mile, instead of the present Parliamentary scale, which is three?—No; they are almost invariably in practice made four; I never make any less than four.

484. There would be no difficulty about that?—Not the least.

485. Would there be any difficulty in increasing that scale whenever it passed through ornamental lands or towns?—No; in passing through a town, we generally do increase the scale to show its effect on property; we feel it necessary to do that; on so small a scale as four inches to the mile we should not be able to distinguish the property; in passing through landed property a scale of four inches to a mile is sufficient, unless when there are different grounds belonging to different owners and occupiers intersecting each other, so as to render greater distinctness requisite.

486. Would there be any objection to increasing the scale to not less than a quarter of an inch to every 100 feet, whenever the line was intended to pass through any buildings, yards, land within curtilage of any building, or through any ground cultivated as gardens?—I think that in passing through ground cultivated as gardens it would be necessary; it would be nothing further than the trouble; I think in ground covered with buildings it would be very desirable, but in lands in general, consisting of larger enclosures than gardens, such maps as we generally make, four inches to the mile, would show the intersection sufficiently.

487. Would there be any difficulty in making the height of the railway in figures twice in every mile?—No, not in the least.

488. And that the proportionable rate of inclination of each change of the gradient or inclination should also be marked?—No difficulty whatever.

489. *Chairman.*] There would be no difficulty in marking the height at every crossing of a turnpike-road?—No, no difficulty at all. There is one thing connected with that which I should wish to suggest: in the direction of the line, Parliament gives companies the power to deviate 100 yards; there is nothing said about the power of deviation with respect to levels; I think it desirable there should be

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some extent given to deviate as to levels as well as to the line; at present we might be confined to the strict rate of inclination marked upon the section deposited with Parliament; we have a latitude of 100 yards in the line of the railway, but we have no latitude in the inclination.

490. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Would there be any objection to limiting that deviation of 100 yards on each side?—I think there is no necessity for that, from anything I have seen.

491. Sir *James Graham.*] What objection would there be to providing that a departure from the plan lodged in the Parliament-office should in no case exceed one mile in length; if the original line be a small segment that would restrict you as to the width also?—It might be exceedingly inconvenient to be restricted, but I can give no notion what might be required; but I will suppose a case where it might be desirable to the improvement of a line that it should be a mile and a half, that being contrary to the Standing Orders could not be done, and instead of the Bill being put off for two years, it would be almost three before we could proceed with it.

492. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What variation in the levels would you propose?—I have not given the subject consideration, but it has often struck me there should be some.

493. Would you think it advisable that the deviation of 100 yards each way should be decreased, and that the deviation in the levels should be increased?—One hundred yards is not a very great extent in a general outline, we are confined, very frequently quite tied to the line.

494. By special clauses?—Yes.

495. Would it be any serious inconvenience which might not be remedied by previous skill on the part of the engineer, that the deviation should be 25 yards on each side, instead of 100 yards?—I think 25 yards too small a space, it would be almost like being tied to the line; for instance, in drawing a line upon a map, I have found in tracing the plan a little shrinking of the paper, or its twisting a little sideways, it has not shown the particular spot I wished, and supposing that I were confined to less than 100 yards deviation, doubt might be thrown upon the plan; 100 yards would bring it in easily; 25 yards, on a scale of four inches to the mile, would be very small indeed, and even the contraction of the paper would make a greater variation; there might be errors, and the effect might be to make a curve in the line instead of making it straight. Railroads are better for having straight lines, as far as it can be done.

496. Have you not made up your mind what deviation should be made in the levels?—I think 10 feet; there might be some cases where 10 feet might be exceedingly inconvenient to a gentleman; then there must be a special agreement; a gentleman might say, for instance, a railroad passing my property, if you take that 10 feet it will become objectionable; then he must bind them by a special clause.

497. Might not that have a bad effect on the inclination of roads?—The object I have is to improve all those, that in making a large plan of a railroad we should not be confined to the precise level; that by being allowed to vary the levels we might improve the line, and interfere less with roads than if we were not allowed to make those deviations.

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498. *Chairman.*] YOU are a Parliamentary agent?—I am.

499. And have had much experience?—I was engaged for three years in complying with the Standing Orders on the London and Birmingham Railway; for two years in superintending the Great Western; and the North Midland Railway in the present year.

500. Have you read the proposed alterations in the Standing Orders?—I have.

501. Will you make any remarks that occur to you to the Committee upon them?—Upon the first I have no observation to make; I believe that it will be found to be extremely useful. But with respect to the third, which says there shall be five Members present, to be a quorum of the sub-committee; I think it will be very difficult to get five out of seven to attend: at present, with a Committee consisting of 120 Members, we are often obliged to put down the names of Members who really are not present, which is tolerating a practice not strictly correct. We find it very difficult even now to get five Members present; three,

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I should conceive competent to form a Committee on the Standing Orders where there is no opposition, and if there is any opposition many Members who take an interest might be induced to attend.

502. Sir *James Graham.*] The five does not apply to the seven who form the sub-committee, but to any five out of the 42?—Yes; but then the former resolution states that the 42 shall have leave to divide themselves into sub-committees of seven. If the Committee declared that any seven Members should be a sub-committee for such and such particular railways, they would become sub-committees for those railways only, and we should have to look for five out of those seven. I think we should often be troubling Members unnecessarily to come down on points where no difficulty would arise. Upon the three following resolutions I have no objection to make, except to that which states "That there shall be seven clear days between the day on which the petition for any private Bill relating to England shall be presented, and the day on which the Committee shall sit thereupon; and fourteen days in case such Bill shall relate to Scotland or Ireland." It does not state here at all whether the parties who would oppose on the Standing Orders should be limited as to the time of presenting their petition. If the promoters of the Bill are to be delayed seven days before their Committee can sit, in order to give time for parties to petition, the time should be limited more than at present for presenting a petition against a Bill on the Standing Orders; for at present parties can petition on Standing Orders up to the second reading. Now, at present, we go into the committee the day after we present our petition; but according to these new rules we should be delayed seven days; and yet the right of opponents to present a petition on the Standing Orders would be continued till the second reading. What I would venture to suggest is, that no petition on the Standing Orders should be presented after the Committee on the petition had reported. "That all notices required to be given in the Private Bill office, be delivered in the said office before six o'clock in the evening." That I believe will be found to be an extremely useful rule, but under this head it would apply only to the Standing Orders on petitions. I do not know whether that is the intention of the Committee or not; it might apply to all; it would be useful as to all; it would save a post; it is the heading, "Amendments to the General Rules on Petitions for Bills," which limits it at present to proceedings on the petition.

503. You would make it as general as possible?—Yes. I think all notices should be given before post-time. The next Order, having reference to the proof of the Standing Orders by affidavit, I believe will be found of great importance in cases where there is no opposition. Where there is an anticipation of opposition we should still, I think, advise our clients to bring up the witnesses.

504. Sir *James Graham.*] Is there not a great advantage to the opponents of the Bill in having the power of cross-examining the witnesses proving the compliance with the Standing Orders?—Hitherto the opponents have not been enabled to cross-examine, because no opponents have been entitled to appear, except before the revived Committee, on a petition.

505. Members opposing a Bill have always had the power of cross-examining the party proving the compliance with the Standing Orders?—Yes, they have; but in my own experience I have never known any resolution of the Committee come to upon the examination of the Committee on a petition.

506. Since it is now intended that the inquiry should be no longer *ex parte* before the Committee for a petition on a Bill, but that both parties should be heard on the Standing Orders, will not it be a great advantage to the parties opposing a Bill on the Standing Orders, to have the power to cross-examine the witnesses attempting to prove the compliance with the Standing Orders?—Yes, and I apprehend if parties do oppose, we shall be still obliged to have the witnesses in attendance, in order not to have the delay of an adjournment; but there are many Bills which come before the House unopposed, such as Bills for watching, paving, lighting, and other minor objects, where it would be a great indulgence to save the expense of witnesses attending.

507. How can it be known so accurately what Bill will be opposed, as to enable parties to determine that?—Parties seeking a Bill generally know that there are many Bills which come into the House where the parties will be perfectly aware whether they will be opposed or not; and in most of those Bills they would have the witnesses present; but in other cases it will be of importance and a great saving of expense to dispense with their attendance.

508. If this power of the parties promoting the Bill, of proving their case by affidavit,

affidavit, be recognized by Order of the House, it will rest entirely in their discretion, whether opposed or unopposed, whether they will bring up their witnesses?—Yes, it will, up to the time of the sitting of the Committee; but if any Member or party should appear to oppose, I apprehend the Committee would not be satisfied without having the witnesses up to prove the case and be examined, and then that will lead to an adjournment.

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509. If this Standing Order be passed, will not the Committee hold the affidavit sufficient to enable them to say aye or no, without the appearance of witnesses?—I think that the order might be modified.

510. Is not the order as it now stands open to that objection?—I think it is.

511. Mr. *Loch.*] The Standing Orders may be proved now, as to Scotland, in the mode suggested?—Yes; and also in case of inclosures.

512. Sir *James Graham.*] Would not the case as to Scotland and Ireland be altered, when it is no longer an *ex parte* inquiry, as it has been?—I think not; because the words are, "unless the Committee shall otherwise direct," and that will, I think, give them an option as to witnesses being directed to attend or not.

513. That would be attended, with regard to Scotland and Ireland, with very great delay; there must be an adjournment while the witnesses are sent for?—Yes; and therefore I state that, whenever there is an expectation of opposition, I should advise they should send the witnesses up.

514. Would not that delay lead to a great increase of expense to parties opposing a Bill who had their witnesses present; must not all those witnesses remain in London till the distant witnesses from Scotland or Ireland are brought up?—If the opponents have brought up witnesses for that purpose, it certainly would.

515. Throughout England now the witnesses are brought up, and always have been brought up?—Yes, they always have been brought up; but in many cases at very great expense, and at some inconvenience in some cases.

516. *Chairman.*] Will you proceed to any other observations?—The next three Standing Orders have all reference to the notice to be given, which appears to be the most material alteration made here; and, according to my own opinion, I am afraid this alteration of time will not be found to work well in practice. In the first place, the words of the Order are extremely general; they state, "That when any application is intended to be made to the House for leave to bring in a Bill for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any Railway already made, or for continuing or amending any Act passed for any of those purposes:" Now under those words, "for continuing or amending any Act passed," if we have the slightest alteration to make in any clause of a Bill, that should not have reference to the line of the railway, notices must still be given in the months of February and March for the session of the following year.

517. Sir *James Graham.*] Is not that provided afterwards in sections 6, 7 & 8?—These apply merely to alterations in the line, and have no reference to the other points, though words might be introduced extending those sections to the amending an Act of Parliament; but the great objection, in my mind, is less on that particular point than it is generally to the whole alteration of the time for giving notices and making deposits. I believe, in point of practice, it will be found that landowners, under the existing Orders, have very full notice (assuming that those alterations are made for the purpose of giving full notice to the landowners). The deposits are made in November, the landowners are canvassed personally, and the plan and sections shown them under the Orders of the House of Lords; they therefore have very full notice of the manner in which their property is to be affected. Now under this Order, instead of ensuring further consideration of the line, the improvement of it would be to a certain degree prevented, for these new resolutions provide that the notices shall be given in February and March, but do not give the power to parties to amend their line, except for a mile in extent; a party would therefore be obliged to deposit the plan in March; he would then have time up to November to deposit an amended plan, and to canvass the landowners, and see in what respect the line is objectionable to them: he might, if permitted, in the course of that interval, improve the line to a great extent, but he would be restricted from amending it to a greater extent than a mile. I can speak from my own experience, that it very often occurs that a party in carrying a line of Railway, after he has deposited his plan, finds a landowner adverse to the line in some point, and the engineer is ready to diverge the line, but the present Orders of the House will not allow him to do so beyond

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100 yards; he therefore gives an undertaking to the landowner that, if he will allow the Bill to pass, he will in the next session come with another Bill to deviate the line. I know an instance of this kind, which will extend four or five miles through the property of a noble Lord, who thinks the railway will be beneficial to the country, but objects to the particular line. Now, supposing I gave in March next the notice for a railway to be brought forward in 1838, in case of my agreeing to a deviation to meet the views of landowners, I must wait under these new orders till 1839 before I can give notice of a deviation to be made in 1840.

518. *Chairman.*] Is not that rather an argument for extending the deviation to be allowed, than against the time fixed?—I should certainly wish to direct the attention of the Committee to the allowing a much wider deviation, but I do not know where the exact limits are to be fixed; for it must be the object of parties to get the very best line; and if the deviation were to extend to 20 miles, I apprehend that the interest of all parties ought to be consulted by taking it. I think the present orders have not worked ill, and that the landowners have had very full and ample notice. Let us suppose a very small branch-line to be made, of six or seven miles; I will take, for instance, the London and Birmingham Railway: now the town of Northampton, five or six miles from it, wishes to make a branch to that line, they see how advantageous it would be to get such a branch, perhaps it would not take six months or a year to make it, but they must wait two years before they get permission to make it, and all that time all the parties might be assenting, but they must have their hands tied all those two years before they could get leave to make it.

519. Mr. *Loch.*] Why should not they make it without an Act of Parliament, under those circumstances?—They could not do it; they want the power of levying tolls, and crossing highways, and so on; or it might be that there is one dissenting landowner. A remark has very frequently been made that companies are often got up by speculative engineers and lawyers, and so on; in my opinion, if there is any truth in that remark, it will occur infinitely more frequently under this alteration; because the public will not advance their money for a railway, to be commenced at the end of two years, but the engineers would probably deposit their plans, with a view to the getting up a company after the deposit. I think it will be found that, in all instances, the landowners have had full notice under the present Standing Orders. There is one further protection I would give them; viz., that a notice should be given of the deposit with the clerks of the peace. I think that would be useful; it is a very important proceeding, the deposit with the clerk of the peace; if the newspaper notice extended to the day when the plans would be deposited, all the landowners would know when and where to have access to them and see how their property was affected.

520. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] You would not contemplate a greater deviation than that proposed?—I confess that if my arguments have any weight at all, I would leave the Orders as they stand at present, in respect to the dates of notices and deposits. Limiting the deviation to one mile would be found too great a restriction.

521. Would it be an improvement if the plan be allowed to be deposited on the 1st of March, stating that such and such a line was to be taken, and there was an opportunity of making a greater deviation down to the 30th November?—I think it would.

522. Do you mean to go so far as to say that if those dates were to be altered the effect would be to check in an undue manner speculation in those railways?—I do. I think it would check the railways; and I do not think it would secure their being better considered. I have always known the getting up of the plans driven to the last moment. I have never known the 30th November arrive without the engineers and all parties being up night and day to get them ready; and I believe the same hurry would take place if the plans were to be deposited in March, and they would have to November to canvass the landowners.

523. *Chairman.*] A mile would make a considerable deviation?—It might or it might not. I admit in some cases it is a considerable deviation, but in others it might be wholly nugatory; I have proved to-day before Mr. Speaker, in the Cheltenham and Great Western Railway, a deviation of three miles in the line, which was found necessary after the deposit of the plan.

524. Lord *G. Somerset.*] In that case the deviation was from one gentleman's property to another?—Yes, in that case it was: if it had happened that the deviation

deviation had gone ever so little into another parish, the Standing Orders would not have permitted us to make it; but it happened, accidentally, that this was done without going into another and a new parish, and that it passed through the lands of landowners assenting.

525. Mr. *Loch.*] Still it might affect differently the lands of other landowners? —Unquestionably. The 8th Order, I see, in speaking of renewals of applications to Parliament states, that the parties who have been defeated in their application to Parliament one year, shall not bring forward a renewal of their measure to Parliament, if it involve deviations, unless they give a year's notice. Presuming, therefore, that they have been defeated on the ground of their line being objectionable, they of course take the next year before Parliament meets to adopt a better line; but if there should be more than a mile deviation, they must wait another whole year before they come to Parliament, and all that time the money subscribed is lying idle, and I think great inconvenience would arise.

526. Would not that have the effect of making them consider their line more carefully than they do now?—I think they do all in their power now to consider it carefully; a skilful engineer fixes on the main line easily enough, but there may be difficulties found to arise afterwards; difficulties in the soil, or difficulties on the part of landowners. If, therefore, there could be any means of obliging parties to canvass the landowners first, I think that might not work ill; but the proposed rules, which would make them deposit a plan in March, and allow only the deviation of a mile, I think would not work well in practice. There are some minor points involved in these Orders, which I will take the liberty of mentioning; they existed in the former Orders to some extent. For instance, in requiring the notices to contain the names of parishes and townships, the word townships has no definition at all; and it is found a great difficulty in making up the notices to determine what is a township; in 1825, I believe, or later, the Birmingham and Liverpool Railway was thrown out in consequence of the omitting of a place appointing its own constable, which was considered a township.

527. A township is a district maintaining its own poor?—They have given that definition of it in the Reform Bill. I have seen many interpretations upon it; and I have always, from care, put in the notices the very small places, rather than run a risk. The 4th Order provides that a book of reference, containing a list of the names of the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees and occupiers, should be deposited. Under that Order we should feel ourselves bound to put in the name of every man that should have a lease, and it is very difficult to find out who has a lease. I apprehend the Order was meant to apply to parties having an intermediate interest between the owner and the occupier, but as it stands we should feel ourselves bound to put in the name of every farmer who has a lease; we always now put those in, in point of practice, who hold leases and who underlet to others.

528. Sir *James Graham.*] You are bound now to give notice to the occupier? —Yes, but we should be obliged to ascertain from every occupier whether he has a lease, and they are not always willing to tell us.

529. It does not give you additional trouble as to the person of the occupier, but only as to the form?—No, but I apprehend we should be driven into inaccuracies by putting down men as lessees when they are not so.

530. *Chairman.*] Would not you put them under the designation of lessee or occupier?—Yes, that is no doubt what we should do under these Orders. With regard to the Order requiring engineers to mark the alterations they intend to make in roads, I should perhaps hardly venture to state an opinion upon it, as it is an engineering question; but I think that engineers frequently do not know the alterations they would wish to make until they come to execute the work.

531. Supposing the 1st of March were adhered to, what observations have you to make as to the exceptions?—I have no objections further than what I have stated as to the principle of the alteration. I observe, however, that personal application is required in some instances, and afterwards the Orders state that an application in writing shall be made: now, with regard to notice to owners and occupiers, the present plan applying to them, showing them the plan and section, we shall still be obliged to comply with under the Orders of the Lords, and I think the Committee will find that this gives them a better notice than the plan proposed; the personal application I think leads to the best explanation which can be given to the landowners, who generally have some questions to ask.

532. Sir *James Graham.*] Your doubt would be, whether you would dispense

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in any case with the personal application?—Yes, I think the landowners ought to have full notice, and that it is indeed the object of parties advocating a Bill to know what their feeling is towards it.

533. *Chairman.*] It is attended with great expense?—Yes, it is.

534. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] You would send a written application in the first instance, stating that if they wished any person to wait on the landowner and explain it, that shall be done?—In distant cases there is no doubt it will be a great saving of expense, for now we have to send to the most distant points to ascertain whether parties will consent or not; but then there is another question, whether notice by the post will be found sufficient, or whether it must be personally served upon the party.

535. Sir *James Graham.*] Your opinion in regard to personal notice will probably be different, whether the 1st of March or the 30th of November were taken?—No; I consider that in any case the party ought to be applied to personally; I have frequently applied to parties by letter where they were at a considerable distance, enclosing a tracing of their property; and if they answered me, I considered that sufficient, but if not I then sent off a clerk to see them personally.

536. *Chairman.*] Do any other observations occur to you?—The clause with respect to the deposit with the parish clerk, requires that we should deposit within one month so much of the plan as relates to each parish: I think if the time were extended, the parties might be able to deposit, with little expense, lithographs of the whole line, which will give infinitely more information; and with regard to landowners, if there were deposited with the lithograph a print of the book of reference, that would give them much more information, for in many instances the parties cannot understand the plan; they cannot, from seeing a few fields laid down and a line across them, know what fields are referred to. Parties require a great deal of explanation. In many cases a book of reference would not involve much expense, and it would generally afford a great deal more information than a plan alone, and a deposit of the whole line would certainly enable landowners better to judge of it than the deposit of a small portion. In the 13th Resolution, "That before any petition shall be presented to the House for making any Railway, or for varying, extending or enlarging any such Railway already made, the lists mentioned in the preceding Resolution, and also a copy of the map or plan and section so to be deposited in the office of the clerk of the peace, with a book of reference thereto, together with an estimate of the expense, signed by the person making the same, and a copy of the subscription contract after mentioned, be lodged in the Private Bill office:" I would ask whether the plan to be so deposited, is in addition to the one already ordered to be deposited by the preceding Order? To the 15th I see no objection.

537. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] What is the general idea in the profession as to the original shareholders being held responsible for the payment of all their shares?—We never considered them responsible after assignment of their interests, except up to the passing of the Act. After the Act has passed, under the law the shares are assignable; before the Act has passed any assignment of a share is illegal, but the moment the Act has passed, it becomes as much assignable as if it were so much money.

538. Parties having assigned over their shares are no longer held responsible?—No longer.

539. Is it not provided in some Acts that the subscribers shall not assign their shares without the permission of the governing body?—In very old Acts it may be. I cannot speak of any recent Act in which it is provided; the existing Orders require that parties shall be bound to the payment of their subscription, but I do not think that they have been acted on; and if it were thought necessary to enforce that Order, I think it would be difficult to find subscribers.

540. Sir *James Graham.*] Is there not an old Standing Order to the effect that parties shall enter into a contract binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, for the payment of the money subscribed?—There is an existing Order to that effect; but it is never acted on, nor never enforced after the passing of the Act.

541. Is it not a Standing Order?—It is an existing Standing Order in the Commons.

542. Then there is nothing new in it?—No; but having it repeated here, as in No. 3 of the 15th section, it leads to the conclusion that it is intended to enforce it; and if it is, I think that would involve a good deal of difficulty.

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543. Mr. *P. Stewart.*] The Bill regulates the manner in which the shares shall be disposed of?—Yes, but the Chairman of the Committee would probably require the clauses to be framed in the manner required by this Standing Order.

544. That is not required now?—No; the clauses are now quite at variance with such a Standing Order.

545. If the word "assigns" were left out, and it stood as it does in the Standing Orders of the Lords, and as it does now at the top of page 4, it would be quite clear, would it not?—I think that would answer all the ends up to the passing of the Act, so far as the contract is concerned.

546. It would be quite clear if the parties originally subscribers were liable?—Until they had assigned their interest; but I think it would not deprive them of the power of assigning after the passing of the Act.

547. If they entered into a clause without the word "assigned," how could they escape their liability?—Under that Resolution I should state that they would be bound as to their contract by the words "limiting the liability to themselves, their executors and administrators;" but if there were governing clauses in the Bill, of course their liability would be regulated by them.

548. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] How could the Committee upon the Bill venture to put in a clause relieving them from their responsibility; if this Standing Order remained in force, would it not supersede the Standing Order?—No; the parties would have executed the contract, and so far complied with the Standing Order, in order to satisfy Parliament that the money was subscribed; but it would be in the power of Parliament to regulate the extent of liability under the Act, and we should hold this as binding only till the Act had passed. I have no further observation to make, unless on the last Order, stating that no line of railway shall be deemed a competing line in contemplation, unless the plan and section for the same shall have been deposited as required by the Standing Orders, on or before the 1st day of March. I would ask whether this is intended to refer to the 1st of March immediately preceding the session? If so, it is, in my opinion, a very wholesome provision. I think that it will be a very salutary rule; but it should be defined by the Order, what 1st of March is meant.

549. You think that the consequence of that would be, that none but well-digested and well-considered plans would be brought forward?—Yes; that there should not be companies springing up while the Committee is sitting, as has been the case this year.

550. Have you any observation to make as to the term owners and occupiers?—Some difficulty is found in practice in defining the words owners and occupiers; and we now frequently are induced to canvass tenants in remainder, and persons having limited interests. I conceive that the distinction should be, that owners should be considered those in the receipt of the rent; lessees, persons under-letting; and occupiers, tenants from year to year. I am frequently asked by parties whether they should canvass weekly tenants as being occupiers.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Poulett Thomson.	Mr. Patrick Stewart.
Lord Granville Somerset.	Mr. Loch.
Mr. More O'Ferrall.	Sir James Graham.
Mr. Thornely.	Lord Viscount Sandon.

MR. POULETT THOMSON, IN THE CHAIR.

John Richardson, Esq., called in; and Examined.

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551. Mr. *Loch.*] YOU are a solicitor, and have had considerable practice in passing Bills through Parliament?—I have.

552. More especially connected with Scotland?—Entirely.

553. Have you seen the proposed alterations of the Standing Orders that have been under the consideration of this Committee?—Yes, I have them in my hand.

554. Have you any observations to make to the Committee upon those alterations?—Yes: some things have struck me upon reading them over, which I will submit to the Committee. The first question that arose with me was upon this clause: "That the Committee have leave to make regulations for the transac-

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tion of the business, and shall divide themselves into Sub-committees, consisting of seven Members at the least." It occurred to me that there might be difficulty if the Committee were not at all connected with the local measure (from Scotland, for example), of inducing the Members to attend. I do not know whether the Committee is to sit from day to day, or if the individuals composing it are to be asked by the parties to attend, or how their meeting is to be arranged; if there is to be one Committee sitting daily, I think there would be no difficulty. The next observation occurring to me was upon these parts of the Resolutions; there shall be "seven clear days between the day on which the petition for any private Bill relating to England shall be presented, and the day on which the Committee shall sit thereupon, and 14 days in case such Bills shall relate to Scotland or Ireland;" and "that no Committee on any private Bill shall have power to examine into the compliance with the Standing Orders, unless by the special direction of the House." It seemed to me, that inasmuch as there are objections which arise to the Standing Orders which cannot be detected till you see the Bill, there might be difficulty in making the application to the House, and obtaining leave to be heard upon such objections in the Committee upon the Bill. At present, if any objection occurs on the Standing Orders, if you have not had an opportunity of taking it on the petition, or got the Committee on the petition revived, it is competent to combine the Standing Orders' objection with the objections upon the merits, and have it decided in the Committee on the Bill. These Resolutions contemplate the doing away the power of so proceeding, except with leave of the House: possibly that may be a good regulation; but it is altering the present practice, and it is fit that your attention should be called to it.

555. What is the next?—"That the Standing Orders of this House may be proved by affidavit sworn before a Justice of the Peace or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, unless the Committee shall otherwise direct."

556. That is a point to which your attention is specially to be drawn. It is understood that that is the case with respect to Bills coming from Scotland?—I have been in practice for 30 years, and it has been the invariable custom throughout to proceed to prove all that relates to the compliance with the Standing Orders by affidavit.

557. Even where the Bill is opposed?—Yes. I recollect when I should hardly have ventured to rely upon affidavits solely when the Bill was opposed; but latterly it has been the uniform course; and certainly for the last 15 years I have never thought of having witnesses present, unless an objection was taken on the ground of non-compliance with the Standing Orders.

558. Is it sworn before a justice of the peace or the sheriff in Scotland?—Before the sheriff for the House of Lords; and a justice of the peace for the House of Commons. Perhaps I may be permitted to explain the footing upon which I understand the practice to stand just now, with relation to Scotch Bills. If I have proved the Standing Orders by affidavit, and find subsequently that the parties opposing the Bill petition to be heard on some alleged failure in the observance of the Standing Orders, my attention is directed to the special objections taken in the petition, on which alone the party is entitled to be heard, and I would then provide witnesses to give oral testimony upon the objections taken; but in the first instance the proof is entirely by affidavit; and in the most keenly contested Bills, I have seen the Standing Orders proved by affidavit alone, without liability to any objection.

559. The observations you make now apply entirely to the Committee upon the petition?—Yes, to the Committee upon the petition.

560. At present it is on an *ex parte* examination whether the Standing Orders have been complied with?—It is at all times competent for the Members of the Committee on the petition, to take objections on the ground of the Standing Orders, although the party cannot do it.

561. There is a great change proposed to be made in the mode in which that is to be done in future?—I am only speaking of the past.

562. What would be the course you would pursue in the event of this becoming a Standing Order of the House?—I should do precisely as I have done hitherto, as agent for the promoters of the Bill. As agent of the opposers, I would within the 14 days contemplated by the intended Order, send a copy of the petition to the parties in the country, and report to them any observations I had made regarding the compliance with the Standing Orders, or any ground of objection that occurred, with a view to petitioning the House: and the petition would, I conceive, be

be referred to the Committee on the petition for the Bill, and I should be heard before it upon the objection.

563. Supposing you were acting on behalf of the promoters of the Bill, would you be content to prove the compliance with the Standing Orders by affidavit, or would you not think it necessary to have the witnesses in town for the purpose of giving that proof?—I would do it entirely by affidavit as now, as far as is consistent with the Resolution, that is, unless the Committee should otherwise direct. I would put it very much on the footing it is just now. If I knew, in consequence of a petition on the ground of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, that an objection was to be made, I should then think it incumbent upon me to have witnesses to rebut that objection.

564. But supposing a case should arise in the investigation in the Committee upon the petition, that might affect the question whether you had complied with the Standing Orders or not, should you not think it necessary to be prepared with witnesses in town to meet such a case?—Certainly not before the case had arisen, if I thought I had perfectly proved the case by affidavit. In the event of the Committee thinking there was any error, I should expect that they would allow me time to bring witnesses from Scotland to prove that I had correctly complied with the Standing Orders.

565. In all cases in which the Bill is not to be opposed, you would not think of doing it?—I have never thought of doing so. The practice hitherto has been very successful; and I can safely say that during the whole time of my practice in 30 years, I do not recollect that there has ever been any complaint of any fraud or impropriety of any kind on the part of those who have prepared and made the affidavits.

566. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] If hereafter the Committee upon the petition for the Bill, who are to investigate into the compliance with the Standing Orders, is to receive evidence on both sides, would it not be putting the parties who are to take advantage of any laches on the part of the promoters of the Bill to great inconvenience, if they had not the power of cross-examining the witnesses on the Standing Orders?—I conceive that the affidavits go only to simple facts, as whether you have proved the notices on the church-doors, or given notices to individuals, and the like.

567. Would you contemplate that the parties opposing the affidavit should be examined *vivâ voce*?—It would depend upon how they proposed to substantiate their allegations; and upon the Committee.

568. Supposing the affidavit stated that notice had been served upon *A. B.*, and the party said that the notice had not been served upon him, or served out of time, would you say that the party contradicting the affidavit should make the contradiction by affidavit, or a *vivâ voce* examination?—I have never seen any objection taken by affidavit.

569. You know that this is entirely an *ex parte* proceeding; under these circumstances, your affidavit might do very well where you are to consent, but should you propose that affidavits on one side should be answered by affidavits on the other, or should you propose that the affidavits made by the party promoting the Bill in the way I have stated should be met by *vivâ voce* evidence?—I should rather expect that the course to be pursued would be, that the party objecting would give *vivâ voce* evidence in support of his allegations as to the non-compliance with the Standing Orders, and that those promoting the Bill should have time to produce evidence to rebut *vivâ voce* those allegations.

570. Would you contemplate the possibility of an adjournment for a long time enough to send to Scotland for witnesses on the part of the promoters of the Bill?—I know no other way. If the Committee find an objection to the observance of the Standing Orders, they would not, if there was no improper conduct, preclude the party from putting himself right before the Committee, and showing that the Standing Orders really had been fulfilled.

571. Would not the proof of the non-compliance with the Standing Orders very often arise out of the cross-examination of the witnesses?—During the practice I have had, I have never known a case of that kind.

572. You have never known any case but an *ex parte* case?—There have been repeatedly objections taken on the Standing Orders, and witnesses produced on both sides.

573. In that case you would always have the decision upon Standing Orders in the first instance, and the parties would be precluded from taking advantage of the

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non-compliance with those Standing Orders, after the conclusion of the Committee on the Standing Orders. Hitherto it has been the practice not only to oppose on the Standing Orders, where it is an *ex parte* case, but also to take the advantage of any further objections which may arise from the discovery of any laches on the part of the promoters of the Bill; but you take away from the parties opposing the Bill the advantage which they derive under the present system under the Standing Orders, and restrict them entirely to the Committee upon the petition?—Unless with leave of the House.

574. Under those circumstances, would not the parties opposing the Bill be put in a worse situation, if the evidence of the proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders is on affidavit, than if they had the power of cross-examining the witnesses, and had the opportunity of seeing how far their statements were correct?—To a certain extent they might; but the evidence is only to matter of fact.

575. Might not a man make an affidavit with a perfect conscientiousness, believing that he had spoken the truth, and yet be in error?—That certainly might happen.

576. Generally speaking, laches with regard to the Standing Orders take place more from accidental circumstances and occurrences, than from any premeditation?—I believe that to be the case.

577. The parties not being aware of what extent the Standing Orders go?—Yes.

578. Would it not be extremely difficult to sift those matters to the bottom by any other than cross-examination?—I have not found it so. There has always been the power in the Committee of sifting the observance of the Standing Orders; and I have known the opposing agent permitted by the Committee to state or to suggest objections, and the Committee put questions at the instance of the opposing parties; and where the objections were anticipated, the parties promoting the Bill required to be prepared to rebut the allegation against the observance of the Standing Orders. The Committee are, perhaps, not aware of the enormous expense to which the bringing up witnesses might go. I may mention one case that occurred in this session; viz., in a Bill for erecting a Court House at Glasgow. Such Bills had on former occasions been considered as falling under the Standing Orders in regard to paving and lighting. The notices were, consequently, affixed on the church doors, and the expense of doing so, over the extensive county of Lanark, cost the parties, as I have been informed, upwards of 200 *l.*; and if we had had to bring up witnesses from the different parts of that large county, to prove the affixing the notices on the church doors, the expense of the Bill would have been enormous.

579. Now, in that case, could not one person have affixed the notices on all the church doors?—No; the Committee must be aware of the great extent of the county of Lanark. It is divided into three wards, and notices had to be given for the three wards, inasmuch as the inhabitants in all the three wards were rated.

580. Could not one man have done that?—It would not have been possible for him to have done it.

581. Could not two men have done it for 200 *l.*?—I do not think two men could have done it.

582. Will you have the goodness to state whether in your experience any measure has been subsequently opposed by parties on the discovery of the non-compliance with the Standing Orders, after the Bill has been in the Committee?—Yes, in the case of a Bill last session, the Glasgow Water Bill; after the Bill was filled up and lodged in the Private Bill office, it was discovered that the rates were to be altered, but on looking at the newspapers it was found that the notices did not specify the intention of altering the rates, and an objection was taken on that ground, which succeeded.

583. Under the proposed change of the Committee on the Standing Orders, you will not have seen the Bill previous to the sitting of the Committee?—Certainly not; and that gives rise to the observation I first made.

584. Is it not both desirable that the parties who are either promoting the Bill or opposing the Bill, should have the power of examining the parties *vivâ voce* on the various points connected with it?—If I had found any inconvenience arising from proof by affidavits, I might think so.

585. I am putting the case where the party, if he now omits to come on petition to take the objection, is precluded ever after; would not a party wishing to oppose the Bill be inconvenienced by not having the power of a *vivâ voce* examination

tion of the witnesses in favour of the Bill in that stage of the case?—They would, if they neglect in the 14 days to take the objection, and if the House would not permit them afterwards to raise the objection in the Committee on the Bill.

586. Would it not be open to the parties, on cross-examination of any single witness, to make inquiries as to the purposes of the Bill?—It does not appear to me that cross-examination on the points of fact, to which alone the affidavits go, would be important.

587. Might not the fact take place, that the Bill is brought in for a particular object, and might you not wish to ascertain, in opposition to the Standing Orders, what the particular object was desired by the Bill, and if you had a copy of the Bill or the cross-examination of the witnesses, would you have the power of ascertaining how far the Standing Orders had been complied with?—It does not appear to me that you would have a right to examine Standing-Order witnesses, except as to the performance of the ministerial duty of giving the notices, or other act under the Standing Orders.

588. Would not the party be precluded from asking any questions upon the points connected with the Standing Orders, if he had neither a copy of the Bill nor the witnesses to cross-examine?—Undoubtedly.

589. Must he not completely rely upon the affidavits, and be precluded almost entirely from any investigation as to those points?—If no objection is taken, he must rely upon the affidavits.

590. Supposing an objection taken, he might have an objection upon one point, and yet not be able to substantiate the truth of the objections without going to the necessity of bringing up witnesses previously on the subject; does it not very often happen that the non-compliance with the Standing Orders is discovered in the progress of the examination?—Having always done it by affidavit, I cannot say that that is the case.

591. In the subsequent stage of the business, does it not often happen that there is some non-compliance with the Standing Orders?—Not from the examination of witnesses; by the examination of the Bill you may discover a variation of the line, and a notice not given to an individual, or an alteration in the rates, of which notice has not been given in the newspapers.

592. Might you not discover that in such a way, on the examination of the witnesses in support of the Bill, as to enable the party opposing it to throw it out?—I am not aware that witnesses you examine on the Bill are witnesses likely to have any knowledge of the compliance with the Standing Orders, unless the engineers may in surveying have given notice to the owners and occupiers.

593. They might show, without being aware of it, that the Standing Orders have not been complied with; they might on their examination state circumstances connected with the measure which showed that the Standing Orders are not complied with?—It is no doubt possible, but I think it is not likely.

594. You say you would have affidavits on the part of the promoters of the Bill; if a petition was presented, so that you are not able in time to produce *vivâ voce* evidence to rebut the petition, you would apply to the Committee for further leave; of course any further leave to bring witnesses from Scotland must be a week or ten days: under those circumstances, suppose a petition to be presented against the compliance with the Standing Orders, and the other party has his witnesses in town, you would put him to the expense of keeping his witnesses in town?—There is generally an understanding between the parties, if a petition is presented on the ground of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, as to the time the discussion is to take place. I should ascertain what the course of the other party would be, and we should have the meeting of the Committee so concerted that I might bring witnesses to rebut the objections on the Standing Orders.

595. I am taking the 14 days from the day of presenting the petition, and the parties from Scotland know that the Committee will sit on the 14th day, and they are aware that these notices must be proved by the witnesses, and they come up to town with their witnesses prepared for that day, and they present a petition to the House of Commons in sufficient time to be heard, but not in sufficient time for you to send down to have your witnesses ready. Under those circumstances the opponents of the measure would have the advantage of bringing their witnesses to town and examining them, and you would have the disadvantage of not producing your witnesses?—I should say the parties were not acting in good faith in postponing the petition till the last day.

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596. There is no bad faith in the party presenting the petition on the 13th day?—They would not bring up the witnesses till they had made some arrangement with the other parties.

597. They discover upon the information given, that the measure will be brought forward without notice, and that the notices required by the Standing Orders are not complied with; they arrive as quickly as they can?—I should expect that there would be such a communication between the parties as would enable them to come together as to the day of the meeting of the Committee; there ought to be no delay if the agents proceed fairly.

598. Do the agents on both sides proceed so?—There is nothing gained by the opposite course.

599. You have had no experience on that subject?—I have had no experience, except in such cases of objections as I have stated, in proof by affidavit.

600. What have you to say upon the next Resolution?—With regard to the second Resolution, that the notices shall contain the names of the parishes, it occurred to me to doubt whether the mention of parishes, if not required in all Bills, should not be limited to cases of actual operations on the line; for a Bill for the mere amendment of regulations, or anything of that kind, should not require the mention of the parishes, more than a Bill for increasing or altering the rates.

601. There is at the end of the Resolution, that in the event of a Bill coming in to amend a Railway Bill, which is merely to raise a sum of money, then it is unnecessary to insert in the notice the names of the parishes and townships?—According to the termination of the proposed Resolution, you would not require mention of the parishes, unless for a Bill to alter the line or to make some operation on the line. I think that is the interpretation of it. A further doubt was, whether or not the newspaper notice is required, except in those cases where there is an extension or alteration of the line.

602. If you will look at it, you will see that the first question answered; that it is unnecessary to give such notice?—That would be my interpretation of it, but I suggested it in order to make myself sure of it; it is only in case of making or altering a portion of the line that the mention of the parishes is required. The third Resolution is, "Such notice being inserted twice in the month of February and twice in the month of March of the year immediately preceding that in which such application is intended to be made, in some one and the same newspaper of every county in or through which any such railway is intended to be made," &c.; the latter part of it is what gave rise to my doubt, and it seems to require notice in the newspaper only where the Bill is for varying or enlarging a railway.

603. *Chairman.*] Certainly the notice must be inserted in the newspapers; if you look at No. 2, it is, "That such notices, except as hereinafter mentioned, do contain the names of the parishes from, in, through and into which any such railway is intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged; and if an increase or alteration in any existing tolls, rates or duties is intended to be proposed, the intention of proposing such increase or alteration to be expressed therein; but in case any such Bill shall be for the purpose only of increasing or altering any existing tolls, rates or duties, or of continuing or amending any former Act, it shall not be necessary to insert in such notices the names of the several parishes and townships." And then it goes on to say, that such notices, that is, all notices applicable to both?—If you read the whole of the third Resolution, I think it does raise a doubt whether the newspaper notices are to be given, except in the case of a railway intended to be made, varied, extended or enlarged. It seems to confine its application only to the case of making, altering and enlarging railways, and that gave rise to my doubt. My next observation is, that the book of reference is to contain a list of the names of the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and occupiers of such lands respectively; the note I made on that was, If a farm is sub-let, am I to give notice to both tenant and the sub-tenant; the one being lessee, the other lessee and sub-tenant?

604. Mr. *Loch.*] That is relative more to England than Scotland, that is relative to a mode of tenure here that does not exist in Scotland; it was for the purpose of meeting the case of deans and chapters, and lessees under them?—Am I to give notice to the lessees, and also to the sub-tenants and occupiers?

605. Lord *G. Somerset.*] It goes to all subsisting interests?—Then I think the Resolution would do; and we must give notice to the lessees and sub-tenants and occupiers. The next observation is upon the word "curtilage." We have no such word in Scotland; "curtilage" is not in Johnson or Jamieson's dictionary, or

in Ainsworth or Facciolatus. It appears from Ducange and Carpentier to be a word of the middle ages, and from the latter, seems to have meant the garden in which the ollera or pot-herbs grew; but it is not, I think, known in Scotland.

606. Mr. *More O'Ferrall.*] Would not "garden" do?—I should think it would not convey the meaning of curtilage, but some other word may do.

607. *Chairman.*] Would curtilage stand in the way?—No, not at all, if a synonymous word for Scotland were fixed upon.

608. How would you translate "curtilage"?—I would translate it "court," or "court-yard." I think, if you were to put in "court-yard" it would probably do. Further on in No. 6, "That the height of the railway over or under the surface of the ground shall be marked in figures at least twice in every mile, and also at every crossing of a turnpike-road and public carriage-road, navigable river, canal or railway, and that it shall be stated on the section whether any and what alteration in the present level of such turnpike-road, carriage-road, river, canal or railway is intended to be made." I would propose that you should add "junction with the railway." It is important that you should require the height at the junction of one railway with another. If after the words "navigable river," you were to say, "or canal, or crossing of or junction with any railway," that would effect the purpose I suggest.

609. Do you know of any case that mentions that?—There was a case of a Bill which I was to oppose, and it appeared that the inequality at the proposed junction was so great that the junction would have been impracticable. Then upon sixth, seventh and eighth Resolutions, regarding the alteration of lines where plans had been lodged and notices given, and alterations in railways authorized to be made by Act of Parliament, and in case of the renewal of the application to Parliament, my observation is that the newspaper notice does not minutely specify the line. It is therefore only from the general plan that parties can ascertain the course of the whole line. The sixth, seventh and eighth Resolutions require depositation of partial plans in the several parishes. But the owners in parish *A.* might have been induced to consent to the line, because it connected them with a certain town in parish *B.*; but in the altered lines contemplated by these orders the town may be avoided, and the inhabitants of parish *A.* would have no notice or intimation of the fact of its being intended to leave out the town. Then with regard to the 4th, 11th, 12th and 13th, I think there is some complication, which, if it could be avoided, would be as well. The plan is to be deposited on the 1st of March, with a book of reference containing the names of the then owners and occupiers, with the clerk of the peace: a partial plan is to be deposited on or before the 1st of April with the parish clerk; a complete plan is to be deposited on or before the 1st of April in the Private Bill office, with a book of reference. The application to owners and occupiers is to be made on or before the 31st December, and a plan is again to be lodged in the Private Bill office, with a book of reference and the lists of the occupiers, on presenting the petition. Is the same book of reference to be lodged with the clerk of the peace and in the Private Bill office? It is clear that the owners and occupiers may have changed very much in the course of a year; are we in the book of reference relative to the last plan of the general line that is deposited, to have the new owners and occupiers?

610. *Chairman.*] You have observed the proposed change as to the period of giving the notice, from the 30th November to the 30th March; what do you say as to that?—I am not aware that there is any objection to that; it gives a greater protection to individuals and the public, and as it will require more time for maturing such measures, probably is a good regulation.

611. Sir *James Graham.*] That would drive off the Bill of which notice is given in March, to the following session; do you think there is any objection to that?—I think not.

612. Do you think it would check the embarking of the country in these measures?—Not improperly.

613. You think it would afford an additional security to the plans being well considered?—Yes, I think it would put it in the power of people to avail themselves of an additional security, if they chose to do it.

Mr. *James Robinson Hayward*, called in; and Examined.

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614. *Chairman.*] YOU are a Parliamentary Agent?—I am.

615. Have you read the proposed amendments to the Standing Orders?—I saw them a day or two ago, and I made some notes on them; I have not got the document here, but I will endeavour to answer any question which the Committee may think fit to put.

616. Will you state to the Committee any observations you have to make?—I made some observations upon the first paper I saw, and I believe some of them have been attended to. It strikes me it would be better that three instead of five should be the quorum of the Sub-committee, as I think it would be difficult on all occasions to find five members to attend out of the seven. You are aware that in the Committee on the Standing Orders it is sometimes difficult to get a quorum. I should doubt whether seven clear days between the day on which the petition is presented, and the day on which the Committee is to sit, would be sufficient, if the door is to be shut against any subsequent inquiry.

617. You doubt whether seven days will be enough?—Yes, if the present practice of allowing the parties to apply to the House after the first reading of the Bill is done away with.

618. Mr. *Loch.*] What would you substitute in its place?—I think 10 days would be sufficient: the only objection being the delay the parties would be subject to. I myself think that the old practice would perhaps be better. The party proceeds at his own risk; he brings the Bill in if he pleases, and it is read a first time; I do not see why the opposing party should not be at liberty to object to the Standing Orders, as heretofore. As to the Standing Orders of the House being proved by affidavit, my opinion is, that it would be a great convenience with respect to applications for consents; it would save a great deal of expense, and the affidavit ought to be received without proof of the handwriting of the Master Extraordinary in Chancery. Under the Inclosure Act, affidavits are permitted to be sworn before a magistrate, and persons who produce those affidavits are obliged to prove in the Committee the handwriting of the magistrate, which is nearly the same trouble as if the man himself attended in person. With respect to the earlier notice, it strikes me that it would be attended with inconvenience; it is a matter of experiment, and it is impossible to say how the experiment will work. I have not yet been made aware of any complaint or inconvenience resulting from the present practice of giving notice in the autumn.

619. Do you think the landowners at present have sufficient notice?—Ample time, I should say, and that is evidenced by the opposition got up to Bills on behalf of landowners. I think if a mode could be adopted by which (if I may use the expression), the balance is made even between the promoters of the Bill and the landowners, it would be desirable. At present one or two landowners have it in their power to keep a Bill pending during the whole session, as is the case with certain Bills which have passed this House, and are now in the House of Lords. There are two Bills for which I happen to be agent, viz. the Brighton, and the Manchester and Cheshire; and in each of those I think I may say there are not above one or two landowners on the line that oppose the Bill.

620. Take one of those Bills, would it have been in the power of the landowners to have opposed the Bill if there had not been another and competing line, with funds in their hands?—Certainly it would; because the landowners have the power to set up another line.

621–2. I do not ask you whether it would legally, but whether they would have been able to have supported the enormous expense of contending against the company?—That would depend upon the means of the landowners.

623. Would not the expense be enormous?—It is enormous in both those cases, and the promoters of course of each Bill are put to a corresponding expense; my opinion is, that the landowners do not want any protection, in addition to that which they have under the present system of notices.

624. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] Do you think if a longer notice was given, that there would be more probability of their coming to an arrangement?—I doubt whether that would be so, for this reason, the landowner, in many instances, drives off till a late period coming to any conclusion; knowing the power he has over the promoters of the Bill, he will not therefore come to any arrangement till a late period, when the Railway Company, feeling they are in such a situation that they cannot

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get on without it, are obliged to make great sacrifices, especially if their opponent is an influential person. This occurs after great expense has been incurred, and sometimes towards the conclusion of the sitting of the Committee, and which I can state has been the case in several instances this session.

625. Would it be the interest of the landowner, except when he is backed by a rival Company?—I cannot say.

626. Is the advantage which the landowner derives from opposition (if he bears the expense himself) a counter-balance to that immense expense?—That must depend upon the extent of the injury which the measure is likely to occasion.

627. Very few landowners would oppose a Bill throughout at their own expense?—Very few; but some oppose a Bill in the first instance, expressly for the purpose of obtaining a larger price for their property.

628. Were you engaged for the landowners opposing the Great Western Railway?—I was engaged for several.

629. Did you find any inconvenience to your clients on that occasion, from not having had notice of the intended measure?—No.

630. You had no notice of it till the preceding September; no intimation of any sort?—I believe not.

631. And still you found yourself perfectly able to do your duty to your client, though you had no Parliamentary notice till the 30th September, and no notice till a few weeks previous?—Certainly.

632. I believe there was a strong opposition there?—Yes, there was.

633. Do you, from your recollection of the case of your clients on that occasion, think, if they had had longer notice, that their opposition would have been mollified or not?—I do not think it would have made any difference.

634. The grounds of their opposition were such that no length of notice would have altered them?—Not the least in the world.

635. I believe the opposition in that case was almost more than in any other case arising from landowners?—It was.

636. There was a competing line or two, but still the main ground of opposition arose from landowners?—Yes, there was a great variety of landowners having different interests.

637. *Chairman.*] Am I to understand that you have no objection to altering it to the 1st March, except that you consider it is not necessary, the landowners having at present sufficient time?—If the object is simply to give the landowners notice, I certainly do not think it at all necessary.

638. You think the landowners have sufficient time?—I think so, certainly.

639. Lord *Sandon.*] If the object be to give more time for discussing the character and expediency of a particular line, both with respect to the interest of the persons whose property is to be touched, or the towns whose trade is to be affected, and other cases, earlier notices may be desirable?—I should doubt that very much; because I apprehend one of the objects of the Legislature would be to save expense as much as possible. The longer time that is given to decide upon a scheme, the greater facilities are afforded to getting up counter schemes, and to raise up oppositions; and I think, generally speaking, a scheme which was so long before the public would have very little chance of getting through at all.

640. *Chairman.*] You think it would give an opportunity for other and fresh plans being matured, and afford less chance to the original plan being carried?—I do; the Committee are aware that in the present day everything is the subject of the greatest possible publicity. I would illustrate it in this way; if a line is proposed from A. to B. of 30 miles, I think it most probable if a longer notice was given, that there would be several other lines set up; not because the parties really think they are better, but because they all think that in the scramble they may have a chance of carrying their line.

641. Sir *James Graham.*] Would not the greatest possible ingenuity be employed in taking the best line between A. and B.?—No; I think it would be simply a scramble to see which of the lines could be got through by the parties in a particular place. In such a neighbourhood as Manchester, for instance, the moment you get up a scheme, there are half-a-dozen others started of the same description, and it becomes quite a scramble.

642. In that scramble would there not be a competition of ingenuity and intellect?—Certainly.

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643. And the public would have a chance in the scramble of getting the best line?—That is very questionable.

644. *Chairman.*] Suppose the change in the period of time determined on, have you looked at the subsequent Resolutions with a view of seeing how far they can be carried into effect beneficially?—I think there would be a considerable difficulty in the regulations proposed in altering the line, in No. 6.

645. State what the difficulty is in your mind?—I think a great confusion would probably arise from it; I am not prepared to say what, but I think confusion would arise from it.

646. Can you state how?—No; but I think that would probably be the result.

647. Can you state where it is that confusion will arise; is it a confusion in the words?—In having once deposited a plan, and allowing that plan to be subject to almost indefinite alterations, the parties would be more at a loss to know how their property was likely to be affected than heretofore. At present the plan is deposited in November by the promoters of the Bill, and that plan the promoters of the Bill are bound by; but if a plan liable to be extensively deviated from were to be deposited in the early part of the year, parties two or three miles round would see in the course of that year that their property was likely to be affected, and no one would know what he was liable to.

648. Would not this be the situation of the parties under the Resolution: that if in the early part of the year a plan was lodged and notices were given, they would know how their property would be affected, and have an opportunity of inspecting the plan; and if under the 6th Resolution the promoters of the scheme were desirous of making a certain limited deviation on the plan, as specified in Resolution 6th, they would then be obliged to lodge fresh plans of the alterations, and personally apply to the parties on the line who might be interested, for their consent; and would not those parties enjoy equally as great an opportunity of inspecting the plans?—Exactly the same, on the depositing of the amended plan.

649. Then they might have two notices instead of one?—No; I am speaking of the parties not interested in the first plan, but interested in the second, or amended plan.

650. Would they not enjoy an equal advantage to what they have at present?—Just the same.

651. If those parties who were interested in the first plan, and interested also in the second, had a double notice, and those interested in the second plan and not interested in the first, had the same notice as they have at present, how would they labour under greater disadvantages than they do now?—They would have to do twice then what they now do once; I am for leaving it as it is.

652. You say that confusion might arise?—Yes; a party having land within a possible deviation from the line laid down on the plan deposited in March, would, until the 30th of November, a period of eight months, be in a continual state of apprehension that the line might still come through his property.

653. Would they not have as much notice as they have at present, if they were to be affected by it?—Just the same, and it is upon that ground I think the present notice is sufficient, and better than it would be under these circumstances.

654. Now, continuing the Resolutions downwards, are there any other remarks you have to make upon them?—I am not aware of any at present.

655. Lord *Granville Somerset.*] With reference to what you have stated as to proving the Standing Orders by affidavits rather than by *vivâ voce* examinations before the Committee, are you aware under the proposed new Regulations that the Committee on the petition for the Bill will be equally accessible, as to all questions of Standing Orders?—Yes.

656. Would it not be a great disadvantage to a party opposing a measure on the ground of the non-compliance with the Standing Orders, not to be able to cross-examine the witnesses who prove the compliance with the Standing Orders?—It might be; but if the affidavit was at all disputed, the Committee might require *vivâ voce* proof.

657. Would it not be a benefit to the promoters of the measure, at the expense of the opponents to the measure?—It might possibly be the case; my reason for recommending it is that many of the parties who have to give their consents on a long line of railway, are at a great distance; some in Scotland, some in Yorkshire, some in Cornwall. According to the present Orders, if one proprietor live in Cornwall, you must send a special messenger down to him, and see him and obtain his answer; and if that could be done by affidavit instead of sending a person down

down to Cornwall, it would be a great convenience to the party, and could not be an injury to any one.

658. Might not the person make the affidavit that he had given a notice to a particular individual, without wilfully misrepresenting it, make an error as to the fact with regard to the identity of the parties, and so on?—I think not, but that on the contrary it would be much more likely to happen in the case of a messenger being sent down to those distant places, and making inquiries of the parties. I think it would be more likely to happen in that case, than that a mistake should be made on an affidavit made by a person resident on the spot; he would be more likely to be acquainted with the parties, and less liable to err.

659. Supposing the error to be made, would not it be exceedingly difficult for the opposing party to detect it upon the affidavit?—Perhaps it might, but the party would be liable to be indicted for perjury; and, as I before observed, the Committee may require *vivâ voce* evidence.

660. I am not supposing he did it wilfully, but that there had been a casual error as to a particular date, or name of the persons?—I do not think it would happen, but of course it is possible, though barely so.

661. Taking any other of the Standing Orders, what do you say to them; do you think in the other cases affidavits ought to be admitted?—No, I think not in the others.

662. Be so good as to look over the Resolutions, and add any suggestion which may occur to you.

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COUNTY

PARISH OF SAWBRIDGEWORTH

PARISH OF SHEARING

COUNTY

PARISH OF LITTLE HALLINGBURY

PARISH OF

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Parish Road

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Occupation Lane

Brook dividing Parishes

INCLINATION 1 IN 665

Occupation Lane

Parish Road near Shearing Mill, to be raised 4 feet, and pafsed on arches

Division of Parishes

Old River Stort

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INCLINATION 1 IN 330

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Parish Road at Spellbrook, to be raised 30 feet, and pafsed

Division of Parishes

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PARISH OF HARLOW

PARISH OF SHEARING

PARISH OF SAWBRIDGEWORTH

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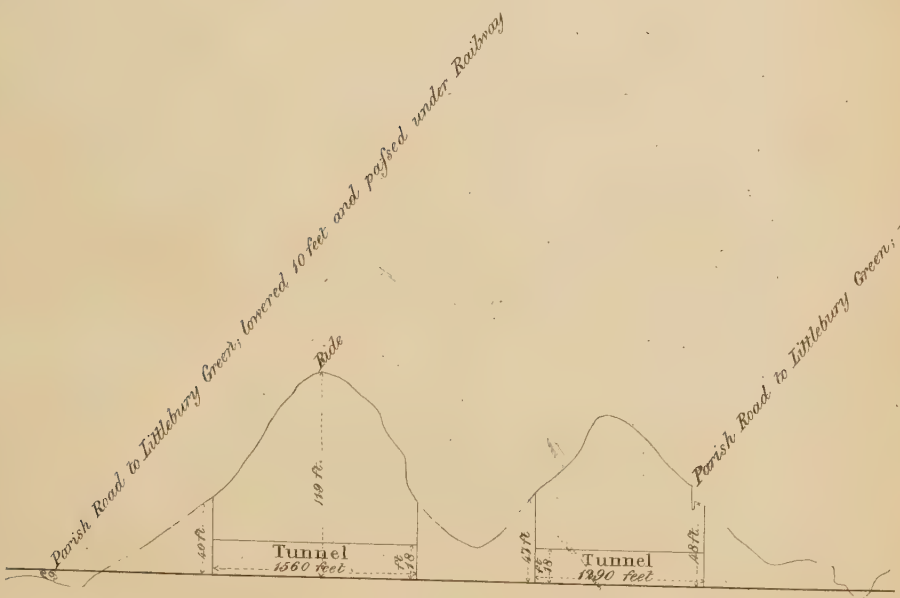

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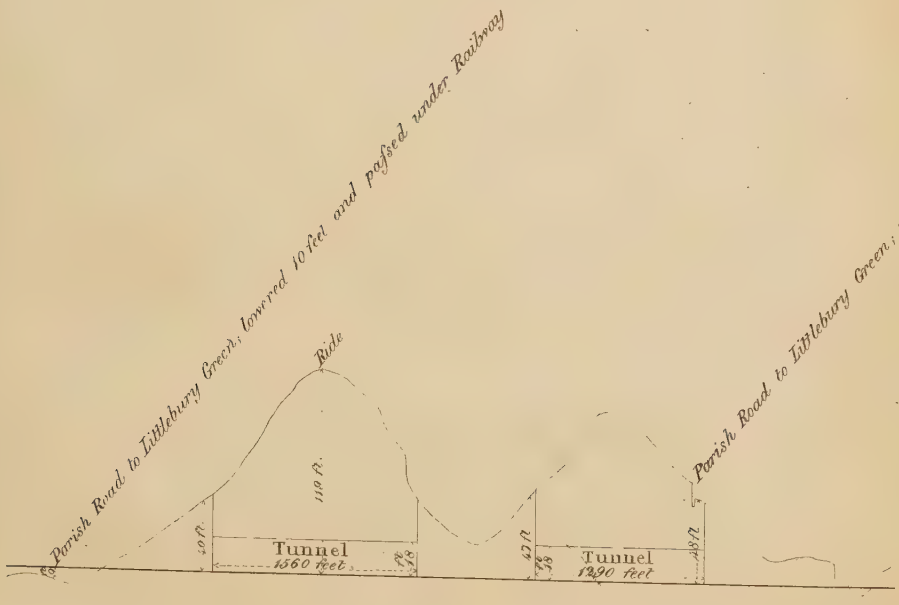

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REPORT

FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON

BATH AND WEYMOUTH RAILWAY SUBSCRIPTION LIST;

WITH THE

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE

TAKEN BEFORE THEM.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
26 *April* 1837.

Mercurii, 12° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

Petition of the Directors, Solicitors and Secretary of the Bath and Weymouth Railway Company, denying the charge of there being fictitious and fraudulent signatures to the Parliamentary Contract, and praying that the Bill may be read a second time, and committed, and that all Petitions against the Bill may be referred to such Committee:—Referred to a Select Committee:—Committee to be nominated To-morrow.

Jovis, 13° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

Order for nominating the Select Committee on Petition of the Directors, Solicitors and Secretary of the Bath and Weymouth Railway (presented 12th April) read:

And a Committee was nominated of,—

Mr. Robert Gordon.
Mr. Andrew Johnston.
Mr. Addams Williams.
Mr. Tooke.
Sir Hedworth Williamson.
Mr. Walter Long.
Mr. Hawes.
Mr. Chapman.
Mr. Hindley.
Mr. George Evans.
Mr. Henry Grattan.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for Persons, Papers and Records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Order, (23 March) referring the Petition of Shareholders and Subscribers (presented 22 March) to the Select Committee on the Deptford and Dover Railway Subscription List; and Order (23 March) referring to the same Committee the Petition of the Chairman and Solicitors of the Company, denying the allegations of the before-mentioned Petition read, and discharged. The said Petitions, together with the two Petitions (presented 23 March) from Shareholders and Subscribers, complaining of fictitious signatures to the Contract; the Petition (presented 11 April) from Subscribers and Shareholders; and the Petitions (presented 12 April) from Shareholders and Subscribers residing in Bristol, and Shareholders and Subscribers to the said Railway (two Petitions); referred to the Select Committee on the Bath and Weymouth Railway Subscription List.

Mercurii, 26° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report their Opinion, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, from time to time, to The House.

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REPORT.

THE SELECT COMMITTEE to whom were referred Two Petitions of the Directors, Solicitors and Secretary of the *Bath and Weymouth Railway Company*, denying the charge of there being Fictitious and Fraudulent Signatures to the Parliamentary Contract; and also several Petitions from Shareholders and Subscribers to the said Railway, complaining of Fictitious Signatures to the Contracts, and other Matters, and who were empowered to Report their opinion thereupon to The House, together with the MINUTES OF THE EVIDENCE taken before them;——HAVE agreed to the following REPORT:

YOUR Committee have examined several Witnesses in support of the Allegations contained in Three of the said Petitions, upon which appearances were entered, and after a due consideration of the Evidence adduced, they have come to the following RESOLUTIONS:—

"THAT so much of the allegations contained in the two Petitions of certain Shareholders and Subscribers of the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Railway Company, as state "that other persons who have taken shares, instead of signing the Contract themselves, have paid a person for signing the same, whereby they have shifted their own responsibility of paying up the calls to mere men of straw;" and that, in particular, one individual "has admitted that he has signed the contract for 90 shares, amounting to a capital of 9,000 *l.*, and for signing which he received a sum of 1*l.* 5*s.*, and 15*s.*," has been proved before Your Committee, except that the Parliamentary Contract appears to have been signed for 85 shares instead of 90 shares, by the party alluded to.

"THAT George Stone, a clerk in the office of Messrs. Mant & Bruce, the solicitors for the Company, in conjunction with another clerk in the same office, of the name of Davis, did procure, by payment of one sovereign, John Plaisted, clerk to a builder at Bath, to sign for 50 of the shares originally allotted to George Lawrence; for which service he received from the said George Lawrence 5 *l.*; and that John Plaisted did so sign the Parliamentary Contract in the presence of Mr. Mant.

"THAT these two clerks acted without the knowledge of Messrs. Mant & Bruce; and no proof has been adduced that the Provisional Committee, the solicitors or other agents promoting the Bill, were implicated in these very improper transactions.

"THAT the Parliamentary Contract was signed by 333 persons for 5,186 shares, and that 22 of those persons, taking 578 shares, were parties signing for shares not originally allotted to them."

As no appearance has been entered upon the other Petitions referred to Your Committee, they did not examine the Allegations contained therein.

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Martis, 18° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Chapman.	Mr. Andrew Johnston.
Mr. George Evans.	Mr. Walter Long.
Mr. Robert Gordon.	Mr. Tooke.
Mr. Henry Grattan.	Mr. Addams Williams.
Mr. Hawes.	Sir Hedworth Williamson.
Mr. Hindley.	

MR. ROBERT GORDON, IN THE CHAIR.

THREE Petitions of certain shareholders and subscribers to the Bath and Weymouth Railway, stating fraud in obtaining signatures, were read.

Mr. *Crutwell* appeared for the Petitioners, and Mr. *Burke* appeared for the Promoters of the Bill.

It was intimated to Mr. *Crutwell* that the Committee would allow him to examine the witnesses, and for Mr. *Burke* to cross-examine them, before the Members of the Committee asked any questions themselves.

Mr. *William Davis*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell*.

Mr. *William Davis*

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1. I BELIEVE you are a linen-draper at Bath?—I am.

2. Did you take any shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway?—I took 20 original shares.

3. Had you any shares besides those you subscribed for?—Subsequently 35 more.

4. Did you receive a letter of allotment for those shares you took?—I purchased the letter of allotment.

5. Of the first 20?—I received a letter of allotment for the first 20.

6. Whom did you receive it from?—From the office of Messrs. Mant & Bruce.

7. Did you pay a deposit on them?—I paid a deposit on those 20 shares.

8. And how much was the deposit?—The deposit was 50 *l.* on the 20 shares.

9. £.2. 10 *s.* each share?—Yes.

10. Did you get the banker's receipt in your own name when you paid the 2 *l.* 10 *s.* deposit?—I am not positive about that.

11. You had a receipt?—Yes.

12. What did you do with that receipt?—I purchased other receipts.

13. What did you do with that receipt?—I held the receipt until the time of issuing the scrip, when a certain party signed the undertaking for those shares.

14. Name the party?—I had at the same time 35 shares besides those 20.

15. Did you sign the contract yourself?—Never.

16. What did you give the parties signing?—I gave William Rand 15 *s.* for signing the contract for the 35 shares.

17. Were you applied to by Messrs. Mant & Bruce to sign the deed?—I was.

18. Were many applications made to you to sign?—Frequently.

19. From those parties?—Yes.

20. Do

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20. Do you know whether the deed was signed?—I am not a witness to that transaction.

21. After Rand signed the deed for you, were you ever applied to by Mant & Bruce again?—Never, to my knowledge; I am not aware that I ever was.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Burke.*

22. You say that Mant & Bruce applied to you frequently to sign the deed?—I did.

23. Did you tell Mant & Bruce you would not sign the deed?—I am not aware that I did, or not; I am not aware I ever made such a remark.

24. You were the party who originally applied for the shares in this undertaking?—I applied originally for 20 shares.

25. Did you not know, at the time you applied for those shares, you would be called on to sign the deed?—There was an understanding to that effect.

26. Did you not sign a conditional undertaking that you would sign the deed?—I believe I signed some document; but I am not positive what.

27. You signed a document without knowing what it was?—I am not clear whether I did or not sign it.

28. Just recollect whether you signed it or not?—I cannot recollect.

29. Do you think that you did?—I do not remember.

30. You perfectly recollect applying for shares?—Yes.

31. You have no hesitation in recollecting that?—No.

32. Did you go to the office for the shares or for your scrip?—No.

33. Did you apply to the agent for them?—They were sold through the medium of a Mr. Motley.

34. Where did you go for the scrip?—William Rand gave me the scrip after signing the undertaking.

35. You got then an allotment of shares in the first instance?—I got an allotment for the first 20 shares, and subsequently other allotments of parties' names for 35 shares more.

36. I wish to deal first of all with the 20; I understand you applied to the Company; on your own name and respectability, and responsibility, to the Company, to induce them to grant them?—I did.

37. They allotted you to your residence by letter?—Yes.

38. Did you pay the deposits on those shares?—Yes.

39. And got the scrip for them?—No, the banker's receipt.

40. You cannot recollect whether you signed any document at all?—I am not aware; but the question I put to Mant regarded the responsibility; and Mr. Mant, I understood him there was no responsibility; for the shares might be transferable, or something to that effect. I had some little misgiving about it, consequently, I did not sign any Parliamentary document.

41. Mr. *Hawes.*] You are quite sure you did not sign?—I am quite sure I did not sign any deed.

42. Mr. *Burke.*] The document I allude to is the conditional agreement?—I am not aware whether I did or not.

43. At the end of the prospectus are these words: "Applications for shares may be made by letter (post paid) to the solicitors or secretary, agreeably to the following form: I request that you will reserve and secure to me shares in the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Union Railway Company; and in consideration of your so doing I agree, on receiving notice of the allotment, to pay the deposit of 2*l.* 10*s.* per share, in respect thereof, or such of them as shall be granted to me, and to execute the Parliamentary Contract and Subscribers' Agreement whenever called on so to do." I want to know whether you ever made your application in that form?—I received the printed circular issued generally to parties who made application. If I mistake not, there was a second circular. I merely filled up the blank space, and handed it to Mr. Motley.

44. Confine yourself to the 20?—My object in mentioning it is as to the number of shares.

44*. I wish to ascertain whether, in point of fact, before those shares were allotted to you, those 20, you did or not sign the conditional undertaking, that when called on you would execute the Parliamentary Contract; I have read you that

that document; I ask, whether you recollect applying in that form or not?— Whether I signed any document in Mant & Bruce's office, I am not clear to say; but this I know, I have signed no Parliamentary deed.

45. I think you said, you filled up a blank; a blank in what, may I ask?—I cannot specify the exact circular; but I think I can tell you (*looking at a document*). No; this is merely an allotment.

46. I want to know, after you signed this; you filled up a form of application, you state, a certain blank, with 20 shares; have you any recollection whether this was or not the form of application when you made the application for the shares?—I should say, it is as near the form as possible; I cannot say it is exactly the same.

47. From recollection you should rather think that was the form of application?—Yes, I should.

48. Then in answer to your application an allotment was made you of 20 shares, and you paid the deposit on those shares?—Yes.

49. To the bankers?—Yes.

50. And you got the banker's receipt?—Yes.

51. Was the deed afterwards tendered to you for execution by Messrs. Mant & Bruce?—The deed was tendered to me at my own house; I believe Mr. Mant's clerk called on me; of course I did not see the deed.

52. What did you tell him at that time?—I told him it was not my intention to sign the deed; I should consider of it.

53. You had no recollection that you had signed that undertaking, that you would sign the deed?—I had not a recollection at the time.

54. I understand you did sign the undertaking, which was the inducement to grant the shares; afterwards you paid the deposit and got the scrip, and then when they tendered the deed you refused to sign it; that is the history of the transaction?—That is the history of the transaction as regards the 20 shares.

55. The other shares you bought in the market?—The other 35 shares I bought, and a letter of appropriation.

56. You did not apply to the Company for them?—I bought a letter of appropriation connected with the 35 shares.

57. Whom did you buy them of?—Simon Sims, of Bath-street.

58. *Chairman.*] How many of him?—Five shares.

59. Can you state the dates when you bought them?—The date of the letter was the 12th of March.

60. Can you state when you bought those five shares of Simon Sims?—In the early part of April.

61. Name the next?—James Drayton.

62. How many did you buy of him?—Ten shares.

63. When?—At the same time; I have not got the letters of appropriation.

64. I want to know from whom you bought the other 20 shares?—I do not remember the parties I bought them of.

65. Do you mean to say you bought shares, and have no recollection of the parties from whom you bought them?—I bought the shares, and had the banker's receipt.

66. Did you buy them of some agent?—I do not remember the person; I bought a great many shares at that time.

67. You bought shares in other companies?—Yes, in other lines.

68. You were so great a dealer in shares, that you cannot recollect the names of the persons from you bought those 20 shares?—I do not remember.

69. Mr. *Burke.*] I presume no application was made to you to sign the deed in respect of those shares not allotted to you by the Company?—I was applied to.

70. Who applied to you; the Company?—Messrs. Mant & Bruce's clerk.

71. In respect of those other shares?—For the shares I did not originally take?

72. For the shares you did not originally purchase?—Yes.

73. What knowledge had he that you had the shares?—I informed Mr. Mant that I had purchased certain shares of parties, and I asked the question relative to the transaction of signing the deed.

74. What question?—Respecting the responsibility; he said he considered it of no sort of consequence; I thought otherwise.

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75. About signing the deed?—I thought by signing the deed there might be some responsibility attached to it; and when Messrs. Mant & Bruce waited on me with the deed for signature, supposing that those shares I held, supposing he was aware they were not my shares, I thought it was quite as tangible that the individual, William Rand, should sign.

76. *Chairman.*] You have repeated all along you were applied to by Messrs. Mant & Bruce; I wish to know whether you were applied to by either of the gentlemen composing that firm, or whether you were applied to by their clerk, and always the same clerk, and if you could give the name of that clerk?—I understood his name was Stone, from Messrs. Mant & Bruce.

77. Mr. *Burke.*] When Stone asked you to sign the deed, did he ask you to sign the deed for shares you purchased in the market, or those you had originally subscribed?—I stated that the whole were not shares I had originally subscribed.

78. When he applied to you to sign the deed, what shares did he name to you; did he specify any particular shares you were to sign for or not, or did he come to you generally for you to sign for your shares?—He waited on me and requested my signature for my shares; I said they were not shares of mine which I had originally taken, some were shares I had purchased.

79. What said he then?—He said, "Sign the deed." I said, "I will consider of it," or something to that effect. I ultimately did consider of it, and I understood some other individual had signed the deed for a party, and I made application to the same party to sign for me.

80. Mr. *Hindley.*] I should like to ask why you asked William Rand to sign for 35 and not 55 shares?—Those were the remaining shares I held; the parties whom I had purchased of on a particular occasion had signed for the others themselves.

81. *Chairman.*] The whole number of shares you took was 55?—Yes.

82. Twenty you originally subscribed in your own name?—Yes.

83. And 35 you bought?—Yes.

84. Of the 35 you bought, 20 were signed for by the parties you bought of?—Yes.

85. And, therefore, all you had to sign for were the 20 you originally had, and the 15 you bought?—Yes.

86. Which 15 you got Rand to sign for?—Yes.

87. Mr. *Hindley.*] What is Simon Sims?—An oil and colourman.

88. And James Drayton?—A baker.

89. *Chairman.*] You originally subscribed for 20 shares?—Yes.

90. You subsequently bought 35 shares?—Yes.

91. Of those 35 you bought, 20 were signed by the parties of whom you bought them?—Exactly.

92. So that there were 15 of the 35 which remained to be signed for?—Yes.

93. And those 15, together with the original 20, formed the aggregate of 35 for which you got William Rand to sign?—Yes.

94. Mr. *Burke.*] Now, I want you to tell me what means the Company had of knowing that you held other shares than the 20?—I stated it to Mr. Mant himself.

95. On the application to sign the deed, or when?—I held the banker's receipt in my possession when I stated the circumstance to Mr. Mant.

96. When the application was made by Mant & Bruce's clerk to sign the deed, had he a knowledge that you held other shares than those you had applied for to the Company, and you had undertaken to sign for?—I distinctly told you that I informed Mant & Bruce that I had other shares.

97. You refused to sign the deed at all in respect of your own name?—I did.

98. Have you had rather extensive share dealings?—I have not.

99. Do you know a person of the name of Stringfield?—Yes.

100. And Mr. Bourne?—Yes.

101. You have not been engaged in shares with them?—I have not.

102. At whose suggestion are you here to-day?—I received a summons from Mr. Crutwell.

103. You have not been told, that if this Bill be defeated, you will get back a great portion of these deposits?—I have been told nothing of the kind; it is merely a suggestion, rather in anticipation to the parties connected with it.

104. Such an idea never entered your head at all?—I should trust, that if the measure did not proceed I should get some little back.

105. Some little what?—Some little of the deposits.

106. Did

106. Did you buy your shares at a premium or a discount?—Of course the 20 shares I did not at a premium.

107. The 35 shares?—I gave a small premium for them.

108. Mr. *Crutwell.*] You say you bought the shares through the medium of Mr. Motley?—The first 20.

109. Who is Mr. Motley?—I think he called himself an engineer.

110. Was he not employed by Mant & Bruce to sell these shares?—I understood so: the greater proportion of these shares was sold through Mr. Motley.

111. Can you state whether Mr. Motley did not receive so much for every share he sold?—I cannot state it; I understood it.

112. You were asked just now, whether you were told you would get back any of your deposits in case the Bill should be defeated; the answer was, you did not know; or do you mean to say, that any person has told you you would not?—It is a matter of anticipation whether I should or not.

113. *Chairman.*] Did you ever state to Mr. Stone, that you had any intention of getting William Rand, or any other person, to sign for you?—Never, to my knowledge.

114. Did Stone suggest to you, when you talked of the difficulty and danger, and responsibility, that you might get rid of that responsibility by getting some other person to sign for you?—He did not.

115. Did you ever talk to Mr. Motley about your unwillingness to sign the deed?—I might have made the remark to Motley; but my own mind was made up not to sign the deed if I could avoid it, considering there was some responsibility.

116. Did Motley ever suggest that to you?—I am not aware.

117. Did any one connected with this Bill ever suggest to you that you would get rid of that responsibility by getting Rand to sign for you?—I cannot say that.

118. Was it entirely a transaction of your own, obtaining Rand to sign for you?—It was under the impression that, as the deed had been tendered to me for signature, the clerk was aware those shares were not taken by myself, and I thought Rand might as well sign as myself.

119. Did the clerk, or any party on behalf of the Company, suggest that to you?—I am not aware of that.

120. Mr. *Hindley.*] Did you ask Simon Sims and James Drayton to sign on behalf of the shares you purchased from them?—I did.

121. And James Drayton?—Yes, James Drayton's name was down on the deed.

122. Then there was no necessity for you to trouble yourself about any responsibility on account of Drayton's 10 shares?—Certainly not; there was no responsibility; I bought the shares on that understanding.

123. Did Simon Sims refuse to sign?—Simon Sims did refuse to sign; I never had the letter of appropriation.

124. Had James Drayton signed, before you were asked by Messrs. Mant's clerk to sign?—I am not aware, but I believe he did.

125. When Mant's clerk came to you, you had, in fact, only the responsibility of 20 shares in your own name, and the five which you had bought from Simon Sims?—Then there were other shares, of which I had the letter of appropriation.

126. You say that party had signed the deed?—I think not; I held a number of shares in my possession, 35, at the time the deed was brought for signature; there is a deficiency of 20 shares, I think, and for the remaining shares, the person who signed was of the name of Bucknell. I think I stated Drayton was the baker, but now I recollect it is Bucknell is the baker, and the other is a cabinet maker.

127. Mr. *Hawes.*] What was the gross amount that you paid for deposits?—£. 2. 10 *s.* on 55 shares.

128. That you actually paid?—Yes.

129. You paid that under the belief that the speculation was likely to be a very profitable one?—I did not; I never anticipated the speculation would be profitable; the net returns I never imagined would be profitable.

130. You bought shares in this undertaking not believing it to be a profitable one?—I did not believe it to be profitable beyond the present; I did not take the shares with the expectation that it would net the profit that was laid out in the prospectus.

131. But you took the 20 shares simply with the view to sell them again as soon as you could realize a profit?—I never intended to have taken up those shares;

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shares; I was afraid; and there being a premium on those shares, I disposed of them.

132. You took the shares originally, not putting faith in the statement in the prospectus, but simply for the purpose of making money of them by the sale of them as soon as you could?—I did; I have 35 shares now.

133. Mr. *Evans.*] Do you hold any shares now?—Yes, I do.

134. Did you ever sign a deed in any other company?—I signed a deed in the Eastern Counties.

135. You had a distrust in this, and that was the reason you did not sign the deed?—I had.

136. *Chairman.*] Do you hold any shares in your own name in any other company now?—Not with the exception of these 35.

137. They are not in your own name; you have sold a great many shares?—I have.

138. Have you sold 100 shares altogether?—I cannot say.

139. Have you sold 500 altogether?—I should think not.

140. Will you say before this Committee that you have not been dealing in shares to the extent of more than 500?—I will not undertake to say anything of the kind.

141. Will you undertake to say that you have not dealt in shares of companies to the extent of 1,000 shares?—I will undertake to swear it.

142. You think you have bought 500; have you not been in possession of shares ofvarious companies to the amount of 500, all of which you have disposed of?—I am not aware that I ever bought such a number of shares.

143. Have you been in possession of them as a purchaser or original subscriber?—I might 300.

144. Not 500?—I will not say 500.

145. Mr. *Hindley.*] You say you sold 20 shares of the 55 you paid?—I did.

146. To whom did you sell them?—A person at Liverpool.

147. What is his name?—Abrahams.

148. Did he sign the deed?—No.

149. Mr. *Hawes.*] When Mant called on you, did you tell him for how many shares you might be called on to sign the deed?—I said I should consult the parties, and sign altogether.

150. What do you mean by that?—I had a great deal of difficulty to get the parties' signatures from whom I purchased the shares.

151. Why did you not sign the deed?—Because I considered there was a great responsibility.

152. Why did you purchase the shares then, because you understood, at the time you held the letter of allotment, that the other parties were to sign the deed?—Yes.

153. You never intended to sign the deed for the shares you purchased?—I did not.

154. What, do you mean to say that you looked to the other parties to sign the deed?—The other parties gave me a verbal understanding to do so.

155. While you held the shares, what do you mean by talking about an undertaking on the part of other parties to sign for those shares?—The parties from whom I purchased the shares gave me a verbal undertaking that they would sign the deed, or I should not have purchased the shares.

156. *Chairman.*] Those 35?—Yes.

157. The persons from whom you purchased the 35, gave you an undertaking that they would sign the deed, so as to relieve you from responsibility?—They did.

158. All those parties?—Yes.

159. What are the names?—Drayton, Sims and Bucknell.

160. Mr. *Hawes.*] You bought 35 shares?—I bought 20 shares.

161. You subscribed for 20?—Yes.

162. You purchased 35 shares?—I did.

163. Did you not intend, when you purchased those 35, to sign the deed?—I did not; I did it on the understanding that the parties who sold me the letters of appropriation would sign the deed.

164. Why should they sign the deed and take the responsibility of shares which were in your hands?—For the small premium.

165. When

165. When were they to transfer the shares to you?—When the scrip was issued.

166. That was entirely a matter of honour between you?—I believe, in one instance, there is a slip of paper; I believe it was Bucknell's undertaking; "I give you my undertaking to sign the Parliamentary deed;" and the other was a verbal undertaking.

167. Will you explain to us how you relieved yourself of any responsibility; the parties were to sign for these shares, and they were subsequently, when the scrip was issued, to transfer them to you; in what way, by that transaction, did you ultimately get rid of any responsibility?—By getting them to sign the deed.

168. Were they not to send to you as soon as the scrip was issued?—The parties prevaricated, and refused to sign the deed, and the banker's receipt was left in my possession.

169. That is not an answer to the question; your object in getting these parties to sign the deed, instead of yourself, for the shares that were in your possession, was to get rid of the responsibility?—It was.

170. State how that could be effected by the mode you adopted, since the shares were, by the understanding between you both, to be transferred to you hereafter, by which you would become liable for the whole amount subscribed?—By those parties not fulfilling their agreement, and I having those shares left in my possession.

171. When you made this agreement with the parties, you did not know the parties would forfeit their agreement?—I did not.

172. Then assuming that at that moment the parties would fulfil the engagements they entered into, how do you clear yourself of the responsibility in that transaction?—I took the shares under the impression that they would be sold. I signed the banker's receipt at a premium.

173. You spoke of the other parties prevaricating; what do you mean by that?—There was a verbal undertaking that they would sign the Parliamentary document, and they did not fulfil that.

174. Why did they not?—I said to Mr. Mant, "Provided those parties do not fulfil their engagement, how shall I be situate?" He said, "I cannot say anything about it."

175. He did not give you any advice how to shift your responsibility?—He did not.

176. What do you mean by the parties prevaricating?—When I used the term "prevaricating," I meant to say, that they did not fulfil the undertaking they gave me.

177. Why did they not?—I cannot say.

178. What reason did they assign?—It was so small a premium.

179. Had they not received the premium from you for signing the deed?—They had a small premium.

180. And then they refused to sign it?—They did.

181. What became of the premium; did you claim that again?—No. I said, "This is dishonest; to give me an undertaking to sign the deed, and not to do so." Then they said, "We cannot think of doing so at so small a premium."

182. Did you pay them the premium for signing this deed, and when they refused to sign the deed, you did not apply for the premium again?—I waited on the parties to fulfil their agreement; it was a mere nominal sum, 1*s.* or 1*s.* 6*d.* a share; and they said, "The premium is so small, we shall not run any risk."

183. That was after they received the premium from you?—Yes.

184. Did you not ask for the premium again?—I did not.

185. Mr. *Hindley.*] You said that Drayton had signed?—I made a mistake in the two names; Drayton did not sign, but Bucknell did.

186. Mr. *Hawes.*] What was the highest premium those shares bore in the market?—I cannot tell; I only sold those shares; the 20 at 5*s.* premium.

187. Just now you stated that the premium was 1*s.* or 1*s.* 6*d.*?—That was what I gave those parties for their letter of appropriation.

188. I am speaking of the parties to whom you sold shares, and who were to sign the deed?—For the shares I sold, I received 5*s.* premium; the shares I purchased, I paid a premium for.

189. Mr. *Hindley.*] When you sold to Abrahams of Liverpool, did you give him an

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an undertaking that you would sign the deed, or did he engage to sign the deed?—I gave him this undertaking, that I would undertake to sign, or cause to be signed, the Parliamentary document of those 20 connected with the 35, making the number.

189*. Who has signed?—William Rand for the 35.

190. How much did you give William Rand for it, for taking on himself that responsibility?—Fifteen shillings.

191. Mr. *Hawes.*] Now, you made use of some remark of this sort, that the clerk of Messrs. Mant & Bruce was aware that they were not held *bonâ fide* by you?—I stated to Mr. Stone, that they were not shares taken originally by me.

192. What do you mean by that *bonâ fide*?—I meant that I had not originally subscribed for the number of shares.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *James Bourne*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

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193. I BELIEVE you are a corn-factor in Bath?—I am.

194. I believe you took some shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway?—I took 50.

195. Whom did you take them of?—At Messrs. Mant & Bruce's office.

196. Did you go there to take them, or did Mr. Motley call on you to ask you, to take shares?—Mr. Motley called on me, certainly.

197. And those shares were allotted to you?—I believe I signed a paper at the Lamb inn, together with others, a list of which Mr. Motley had.

198. Did you pay the deposit on them?—Yes, I did.

199. How much?—£. 125.

200. £. 2. 10 *s.* a share?—Yes.

201. Where did you pay the deposit?—At the bank of Messrs. Hobhouse.

202. And there you got the receipt?—Yes.

203. Did you sign the contract?—No, I did not.

204. Were you ever applied to by Messrs. Mant & Bruce to sign it?—No.

205. Who signed it for you?—William Rand.

206. Did you pay him anything for doing it?—Yes, 25 *s.*

207. Now, you stated that Mr. Motley applied to you to request you to take shares; do you know who employed Motley to go about selling shares?—Of my own knowledge I do not; I understood Messrs. Mant & Bruce.

208. Do you know whether he received anything for selling shares?—He was concerned with with me and another in a transaction as to other shares, and he stated that there was about 100 *l.* due to him on commission from Messrs. Mant & Bruce.

209. When you took those shares did you expect the undertaking to turn out a profitable one?—Yes, certainly, the representation was very good.

210. Is your opinion altered with respect to the speculation?—Yes, very much.

211. On what ground is it altered; can you state to the Committee?—I have had an opportunity of consulting many shareholders, and I am inclined to think it will be an unprofitable speculation now.

212. Is Rand in a situation to pay up those calls?—No.

213. You did not tell him of the responsibility he was incurring when he signed?—I told him it was to get rid of my responsibility, certainly.

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214. You say you have changed your mind as to this being a good speculation at Bath?—Yes.

215. At first you thought it was so?—I did.

216. You gave it very mature consideration before you bought the shares?—No; the representations were very good. Motley is a man who speaks very well, and he pointed out the advantages.

217. You took 50 shares?—I did.

218. Had you any intention to pay for 50 shares?—I took it as a speculation more than anything else.

219. You were concerned in some few other speculations?—Yes.

220. To any considerable extent?—Yes.

221. You have been dealing in shares in other companies?—Yes; I have acted.

acted more as a broker than anything else; they have been other parties' shares, although they have passed through my hands in many instances.

222. Have you been in partnership yourself with some few others in share-dealing?—Yes; I have had transactions with others. I named Mr. Motley just now.

223. What kind of transaction was that?—The transaction I had with him?

224. Yes; *bonâ fide* transactions?—They were in the Exeter Railway and the Eastern Counties.

225. Had you any transaction with him about Rennie's Brighton Railway?—Never.

226. Have you ever had any transaction with Mr. Crutwell about shares?—I sold some once for Mr. Crutwell.

227. You did not go into partnership with Mr. Crutwell?—No.

228. Mr. *Hawes.*] What Mr. Crutwell?—The solicitor appearing on this petition.

229. Mr. *Burke.*] Did you have any commission for those shares as broker?—Yes.

230. Is that your business as broker?—No; there was great speculation abroad at that moment.

231. You had a commission for selling shares?—Yes.

232. It is not very wonderful that Mr. Motley should have some little for his trouble in selling shares?—Not at all.

233. What are you?—A corn-factor.

234. You are in a respectable way of business?—Yes.

235. You applied for 50 shares to Messrs. Mant & Bruce?—Yes.

236. And you signed an undertaking that you would sign the deed for those?—I forget how it was, but I recollect signing at the Lamb; it was done in a great hurry; Mr. Laurence was there, and Mr. Northmore.

237. You made two applications; they were not both done in a hurry?—I took two lots, one for myself and one for my father, of 50 shares each; I rather think I took 50 at Mant & Bruce's office.

238. You never made application for 10 at a time?—Never.

239. Were 10 allotted to you at any time?—No.

240. What is your father?—He is a corn-factor in partnership with myself.

241. I will just read the form of application: "I request that you will reserve and secure to me —— shares in the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Union Railway Company; and in consideration of your so doing, I agree, on receiving the allotment, to pay the deposit of 2 *l.* 10 *s.* per share in respect thereof, or of such of them as shall be granted to me, and to execute the Parliamentary contract and subscribers' agreement whenever called on so to do."—If I could recollect positively whether I took shares at Messrs. Mant & Bruce's office,—I did sign to that effect certainly; but whether I did or not I do not know. But to the list I am speaking of, at the Lamb, there was no heading at the time; it was a blank sheet of paper.

242. Was this circulated in Bath as the form of application to be made for shares?—It was; I was acquainted with the form.

243. Supposing you to have signed this, you there undertake to sign the agreement whenever so called on to do?—Yes.

244. You state that no application was ever made to you to sign the Parliamentary deed?—No.

245. Do you state that for certain?—As far as I find, the scrip was issued, and I sent Rand to get the scrip.

246. From the company?—Yes.

247. To sign in your name?—Yes.

248. Did you have any communication with Messrs. Mant & Bruce as to this person's signing in your name?—No.

249. You sent him to sign the moment you had the allotment of shares?—Very soon after; when I found the scrip was issued.

250. How long afterwards was that? Do you know when Rand signed the deed?—I think it must have been the latter end of May or June.

251. When were the shares allotted to you?—On the 9th of March.

252. When did you pay the deposits?—I think I went on the last day, the 25th of March.

253. You sent this Mr. Rand to sign the deed immediately?—Yes.

254. You

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254. You told us that you signed at the end of June?—I was not positive; I had not this document in my hand then; my recollection is, I went on the last day and paid, and I sent Rand very shortly after that.

255. On thus refreshing your memory you find there did elapse two or three months between the allotment of the shares and the signing of the deed?—I think I sent him within a few days, within a day or two after the 25th of March to sign the deed.

256. Will you undertake to state that for certain?—No.

257. Will you undertake to say he did sign the deed before the end of June?—I would hesitate to state that.

258. Do you think he signed before the end of June?—Yes.

259. You are quite sure he did?—Yes, I am almost sure, for I have got this letter, where it states that the 25th of March was the last day.

260. You would be somewhat surprised to hear that the deed was not ready till June?—Yes.

261. You cannot tell us when this gentleman did sign the deed?—I cannot; I said there was a delay before the scrip was issued.

262. The scrip was issued after signing of the deed?—No.

263. Did you have the scrip issued before the deed was signed?—Yes; it was the scrip that was issued in May; the deed was signed after that.

264. The deed was signed after the scrip was issued?—I could not have had the scrip till the deed was signed.

265. Then the scrip was issued after the deed was signed?—Yes; I made a mistake before. I did not get the scrip till the deed was signed; I think it was in May.

266. Then clearly there was more than a month elapsed before the time of signing the deed?—Yes.

267. That is not immediately after you got the banker's receipt?—No, immediately I heard the scrip was issued I sent Rand.

268. Was the scrip issued before or after the deed was signed?—After the deed was signed; at the time of signing the deed.

269. Did you ever make any complaint of the delay that took place between the paying the deposit and issuing of the scrip?—I do not know that I made any complaint; I was rather anxious to get them, because if I had them I could have sold them at a small premium.

270. Have you ever stated that in consequence of that not being the case you would oppose the Company?—Not that I am aware of.

271. Mr. *Hawes.*] When you got Rand to sign for you, were the shares at a premium?—Not that I am aware of.

272. Mr. *Burke.*] Have you been very active in getting signatures against this Bill in Parliament?—I have.

273. What induced you to do that?—By desire of the shareholders; they had not time, and wished me to do so; principally the Bristol shareholders.

274. Have you had a commission on that too?—No commission on that.

275. You have done that out of a friendly feeling to the shareholders?—Yes.

276. And to relieve yourself?—Yes.

277. Do you hold shares yourself still?—Yes.

278. How many?—About 47.

279. Are those of the original allotment?—Yes, 40 of them.

280. You would be rather anxious to get back some of the premium you paid on that, I presume?—I should like to do so.

281. Very glad to stop the Bill?—Yes.

282. Mr. *Hawes.*] In fact, it is a speculation which has failed?—Yes.

283. And you are very anxious to get out of it?—Yes, and a great many others.

284. Who went in like yourself, simply for selling their shares at a premium if they could?—Yes.

285. Mr. *Burke.*] I want you to recollect yourself whether any application was ever made to you to sign the deed?—No.

286. Did you direct this individual Rand to state that he was signing for you?—I did not.

287. Do you know why or wherefore Rand was allowed to sign the deed?—I should imagine he represented it as being his own shares.

288. What is Rand?—He is a printseller.

289. A shopkeeper?—Yes.

290. A housekeeper

290. A housekeeper in Bath?—Yes.

291. Do you know how many shares he signed for you?—Fifty for me.

292. Mr. *Hindley.*] Had he any of his own?—Yes, he had others.

293. Mr. *Burke.*] You paid him a sum of money for doing it?—Yes.

294. Did Messrs. Mant & Bruce have any knowledge of that fact?—No, they had not.

295. I understood you to state that you being a housekeeper in Bath applied for 50 shares, that you undertook when called on to sign a contract, and that thereupon those 50 shares were allotted to you?—Yes.

296. That you subsequently refused to do it?—Yes.

297. Mr. *Hawes.*] And that you procured this Rand to sign for you without the knowledge or contrivance in any way of Mant & Bruce?—Yes.

298. Mr. *Burke.*] Who prepared these petitions against the Bill?—Another shareholder handed them over to me.

299. Is Mr. Stringfield a speculator in shares?—Yes.

300. And holds a few in this?—Yes.

301. And would be glad to get back a little of the deposit?—Yes, I believe Mr. Crutwell prepared them.

302. Has Mr. Crutwell got anything to do with the Somerset Coal Canal Company?—I do not know.

303. Mr. *Crutwell.*] Did not Stringfield and yourself come and ask me to prepare them?—Mr. Crutwell was the first who interested himself on behalf of the shareholders.

304. Mr. *Burke.*] You asked him to interest himself on your behalf as a shareholder?—Yes.

305. Was that on account of the liability you were under to the Company?—Yes.

306. What liability?—My friend Stringfield had signed the deed for 100 shares.

307. And you wanted to get rid of your liability?—I did not consider myself liable, Rand having signed; Stringfield was liable, and many others.

308. You did not apply to Crutwell to get rid of your liability?—I did not consider myself liable, but I was anxious for Stringfield as well as myself.

309. You wish to correct your last answer as to getting rid of your liability?—I did not consider myself liable, as I had not signed the Parliamentary document my friend had signed.

310. You did all this for your friend?—Yes, it is the request of all of them.

311. How many shares have you taken on your own account in companies; just on your own account, not as broker?—Very few; five in the Bristol and Exeter; I did take 120 in the Eastern Counties; it was at the time they had a chance of bearing a good premium.

312. Had you anything to do with the City Railway?—Yes.

313. Anything with the Great North of England Railway?—Yes.

314. Did you ever employ Motley to buy for you?—No: he had been engaged with us in one or two transactions.

315. Did you ever send him to town to speculate in shares?—No.

316. Mr. *Hawes.*] How did you become a speculator in the City Railway shares, living at Bath?—There was an agent appointed at Bath.

317. What was the nature of the undertaking?—It is a railway from London to Richmond.

318. You bought shares in that as an undertaking to make a railway from London to Richmond?—Yes.

319. What date was that?—I cannot tell.

320. Mr. *Evans.*] In your various speculations in railways, did you always get another person to sign?—No, I did not; I signed myself the Bristol and Exeter and the Eastern Counties.

321. Mr. *Hawes.*] You said when you asked Rand to sign for you it was to get rid of your responsibility?—Yes.

322. Did you know anything of Rand yourself?—Yes.

323. Did you know he was a man of property?—I should say he was not.

324. What do you think of the transaction yourself, of shifting the responsibility which you had taken deliberately on yourself to the shoulders of a man whom you knew was not a man of property?—The thing has been done in more instances than one.

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325. You do not justify it?—It cannot be justified, certainly.

326. Then if persons have been induced to take shares, being merely men of straw, you are the party who has induced such persons to become shareholders in the company?—Certainly; I am subpœnaed here to give answers to the best of my knowledge.

327. Do you know anything of that petition (*handing one to the witness*)?—Yes, I do.

328. Did you get any signatures to it?—No, I believe not.

329. You know something of the petition?—Yes.

330. State what you know of it?—I saw it in the hands of Mr. Wiggins, I think it was.

331. What did you say to Mr. Wiggins when you saw him?—I said it was necessary to get such a petition signed.

332. You thought it was necessary to get a petition signed, stating to the House of Commons that there were persons who had taken shares, and instead of signing the Parliamentary contract, had paid persons for signing it, whereby they shifted their own responsibility, you being one of those parties who had so done?—Yes, the fact was made known; I could not conceal the fact; I knew it had been done of course, inasmuch as I was a party to it.

333. In point of fact you are one of the other parties alluded to in that petition?—I am; the fact had got abroad; Mr. Rand had stated it.

334. Mr. *Hindley.*] You recommended a petition to be signed by other parties complaining of your own conduct?—I could not help myself; I could not conceal it.

335. Mr. *Hawes.*] Did you ever see that petition in the hand of Mr. Crutwell (*handing one*)?—I do not believe I ever did see that parchment in the hand of Mr. Crutwell.

336. Do you think Mr. Crutwell knew anything of that petition?—I dare say he did.

337. Why do you think so?—Mr. Crutwell has been applied to by shareholders for his professional assistance.

338. And are these shareholders who have signed that petition?—Yes.

339. Did any of those shareholders apply to Mr. Crutwell?—I do not know that they did.

340. You think Mr. Crutwell had cognizance of that petition?—Yes.

341. Did Mr. Crutwell know that you had applied to Rand to sign for you?—I believe he got that fact from Mr. Rand himself; I think Mr. Rand stated that to him.

342. Did you ever state that to Mr. Crutwell himself?—Yes.

343. What passed between you and Mr. Crutwell as to the responsibility of Rand?—We knew the man was a man of straw.

344. And Mr. Crutwell is a solicitor?—Yes.

345. And Mr. Crutwell was cognizant of your having transferred your shares to a mere man of straw?—Those facts came before him; Rand stated that to him.

346. Stated what circumstances, and to whom?—That I paid him for signing.

347. To Mr. Crutwell?—Yes.

348. I am speaking of a date before that; was Rand employed by Crutwell?—Not that I am aware of.

349. Mr *Hindley.*] Who prepared this petition?—I cannot tell; I do not know of my own knowledge.

350. What petition was prepared by Mr. Crutwell in consequence of your having called on him?—The shareholders'; there was a second petition that was prepared by Mr. Crutwell.

351. This petition was prepared by Mr. Crutwell?—Yes.

352. This petition states that the parties signing the Parliamentary contract are mere men of straw?—Yes.

353. And they have been paid for so doing; in particular one of such parties, who has admitted that he signed the contract for 90 shares?—Yes, he did admit it; Mr. Crutwell got possession of that fact.

354. That person is Mr. Rand?—Yes.

355. Who told Mr. Crutwell that Rand had signed the Parliamentary contract, and had been paid for so doing?—I do not know.

356. Did you tell him?—Mr. Crutwell put the question, and asked me.

357. *Chairman.*]

357. *Chairman.*] How did your acquaintance with Rand begin?—He lets out newspapers.

358. Did you go to Rand and say you had got into a scrape?—I did; I said, "I never will make myself liable; I shall get you to sign."

359. How came you to ask him; did anybody suggest it to you?—No; I think I had heard of his having done a similar trick before.

360. From whom did you hear that he had done something of the kind before?—That I do not know.

361. Did you talk to Motley about it?—No.

362. Did he suggest to you to speak to Rand?—No.

363. Did any of the partners of Messrs. Mant and Bruce's house suggest it to you?—No.

364. What became of your former 50 shares?—I forfeited them.

365. What are the 47 shares you have now got?—Forty of them are out of the original 50.

366. Besides those that Rand signed for you?—Those are them.

367. You consider them your shares, though Rand signed for them?—I hold the scrip.

368. If any call is made on those shares, would you pay it up, or would Rand be called on?—Rand would be called on.

369. Mr. *Grattan.*] Did you make any agreement with Rand that you would be liable if Rand was called on?—No.

370. Mr. *A. Johnston.*] When you sent Rand to sign the deed, did you give him the banker's receipts, in order that he might get the scrip for you?—Yes, I gave him the banker's receipts.

371. Was the scrip then issued in Rand's name?—There is no name. Rand signed the deed, and the scrip was handed to him.

372. Rand, after signing the deed and obtaining the scrip, returned to you and gave you the scrip?—Yes.

373. And there was no obligation for Rand being liable to the calls, or as to your being bound to relieve Rand from those calls?—No.

374. *Chairman.*] Did Rand ever sign for you in any other speculation?—Yes.

375. Where?—In the City Railway.

376. Was that before or after this?—After.

377. Did he sign in any other?—No; in the others I signed all the Parliamentary contracts myself.

378. Has any other man signed for you in any other Parliamentary contract?—None.

379. How may did he sign for in the City Railway?—Fifteen for myself; I am concerned for other parties.

380. For the co-partnership how many has he signed?—I think about 60 shares.

381. Who are your co-partners in that transaction about the City shares?—That question does not apply at all.

382. Then I understand you decline answering that question?—Yes.

383. Then I must know who they are?—Mr. Stringfield and Thomas Lewis.

[The Witness withdrew.

William Rand, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

384. YOU are a printseller in Bath?—Yes.

385. And let out newspapers to read?—Yes.

386. Did you take any shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway?—I bought some.

387. Did you take any originally from the promoters?—I did not.

388. Were you ever applied to by Mr. Bourne to sign for some shares in the Bath and Weymouth?—Yes, I was.

389. Did you in consequence of that application sign the deed?—I did.

390. For how many shares?—I believe it was 50.

391. Where did you sign the deed?—At Messrs. Mant & Bruce's office.

392. Did you take the receipt with you for the shares?—I took some paper, but I forget whether it was a receipt; I believe it was.

393. Do you know whose name the banker's receipt was in?—I did not notice, but I understood it was in the name of Mr. Bourne's brother.

394. Was any number on the receipt?—That I cannot recollect.

395. Was you paid for doing it?—I was.

396. What?—

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396. What?—Twenty-five shillings.

397. That was 6*d.* a share?—Twenty-five shillings was the amount of what I received.

398. At the time you signed for the 50, did you sign for five for yourself?—I did; I signed for five; that was on my own account.

399. At the time you signed the deed did you procure the scrips?—I did.

400. What did you do with them?—I brought them home.

401. What did you do with them then?—I delivered them to Mr. Bourne.

402. There was was no undertaking from Mr. Bourne to indemnify you against the responsibility you incurred?—Not the least.

403. Who was present when you signed at Messrs. Mant & Bruce's?—Mr. Mant.

404. Your name was never on the list for the original shares?—I purchased 10 in the whole; that was five of them.

405. You say you took the scrips home?—Yes.

406. Have you got the scrips?—I have never seen them since.

407. To whom did you give them?—To Mr. James Bourne.

408. Did you sign the Parliamentary contract for anybody else?—Yes.

409. For how many shares?—I believe 35.

410. Who was that for?—Mr. William Davis, linen-draper, Bath-street, Bath.

411. What did he pay?—Fifteen shillings.

412. Now where did you sign for the 35 shares?—In my own drawing-room.

413. How came the deed to be in your own drawing-room?—It was brought down in consequence of my having the gout; I directed it to be sent down, and Mr. Mant was kind enough to send it down, and I there signed it.

414. You say you signed for five for yourself; did anybody else sign for five more for you?—Yes.

415. Who was that?—George Bridgewater.

416. Did you ask Mant and Bruce to allow Bridgewater to sign for you?—I did.

417. What was the answer?—I asked if he would allow a person to sign for me, and he said he would.

418. And he did sign for you?—Yes.

419. Is Bridgewater capable of paying anything?—I do not believe he is; he has been a midshipman in His Majesty's navy.

420. He is now a mere pauper?—Yes, I believe he is.

421. Was he aware of the responsibility he was incurring by signing for you?—That I cannot say.

422. You did not tell him?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Burke.*

423. I will begin with the last question; you say Mant authorized Bridgewater to sign for five shares for you?—I asked Mant if he would allow a person to sign, and he said he would, or something to that effect, and the man came in and he signed for me, and he brought me down the shares.

424. Did you treat him simply as a man, in talking of him?—I believe I did; I cannot bring my recollection to say that exactly.

425. You do not recollect telling Mr. Mant that he was an officer in the navy?—I believe I did.

426. And thereupon Mr. Mant let him sign for five shares?—Yes, I recollect that circumstance now.

427. Now what five shares were they that he signed for; how did you get them?—I bought 10.

428. And you asked Mant, you having signed for others, to let this gentleman, as you represented him, sign for the other five?—I went up with the intention of signing for the whole myself, but afterwards I arrived in the wheel chair, and I was obliged to get out on crutches to go into Mr. Mant's office.

429. Before Mant allowed him to sign, I understood you to say he inquired who he was, and you told him an officer in the navy?—Yes.

430. Now with regard to the 35 shares you signed for Davis, you say you signed those at your own house?—Yes.

431. Who came to you with the deed?—One of Mr. Mant's clerks.

432. What was his name?—I think it was Mr. Stone; I will not be sure.

433. Did you tell Stone you had 15*s.* to sign?—I did not.

434. Did

434. Did you tell anybody how you became possessed of those 35 shares?—No.

435. You produced to Mr. Stone the banker's receipts for those shares, as though they were your own?—I do not suppose he knew any better.

436. Can you state positively whether the receipts were made out in the name of any person?—That I cannot; I should not know them if they were to be produced now this moment.

437. Did you show those receipts to the clerk?—Of course I did.

438. And they may have been simply blank receipts, 'received so much on account of 35 shares' with a banker's signature to it?—I cannot say what was in them; I handed the banker's receipt to the clerk, and after signing the deed, I received a scrip certificate.

439. You producing those receipts in respect of 35 shares to Mr. Stone, he allowed you to sign?—I do not say it was Stone, I believe it was.

440. Did you in writing to Mant & Bruce, tell them that you held shares, and that you wished to sign for them?—I cannot state what I wrote in that letter at the time, but I sent a request that the deed might be sent down for me to sign, in consequence of my having the gout.

441. And when the deed came down you produced a receipt for the deposit paid before he allowed you to sign the deed?—I did.

442. Now with regard to other shares you signed for Mr. Bourne, you went there to Mant & Bruce's office?—Yes.

443. You told them you came to sign for 50 shares?—Yes.

444. Did you produce the banker's receipt then?—I produced a receipt of some sort; whether it was the banker's or not I cannot tell you; I produced the necessary paper.

445. Did you tell Mant & Bruce, or anybody there, you were signing for Bourne?—I did not.

446. You did not tell them you received 25 *s.* for signing?—I did not.

447. You simply produced the receipts, and asked to sign for those shares?—I did.

448. Were you known at all to Mant & Bruce before?—I was generally known in Bath; I do not know that Mant recognised me at the moment; I knew Mant's father and also Dr. Mant.

449. You have been a housekeeper in Bath for some time?—Yes, many years.

450. And have had some dealings in shares?—A great many.

451. The world might not know but that you were worth some thousands quietly?—No person knew: I never let them know.

452. Mr. *Crutwell.*] You stated before that your name was never on the list for 55 shares?—Yes.

453. You signed for 55 first?—I never made application to any one.

454. You signed for 55?—Yes.

455. How long was it between signing for the 55, and the deed being sent down to your house for you to sign for the 35?—It could not be more than a week or ten days, or so much.

456. Mr. *Burke.*] Who asked you to come here?—I had an order from the House.

457. Who pays your expenses?—I do not know what my expenses have been; I had some money to assist me to come up.

458. Who gave you the money?—Mr. Crutwell.

459. *Chairman.*] Is this the first transaction in which you have ever signed for other parties in any companies?—I have signed for other shares, but not before this.

460. In what company?—In the City Company.

461. Any where else? Did you ever sign in the Exeter and Bristol?—In the Bristol and Exeter I have some in trust; I have also had a transfer made into my name, and I have paid the call; I held in trust for a friend.

462. Have you had any transactions in the Great Western?—I have never done anything in that at present; I do not know what I may do.

463. Have you ever done anything in any other company than this?—I have done something in the Kilwarry and the Eastern Counties.

464. Have you signed in your own name, or got other persons to sign for you?—I never

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—I never got anybody to sign for me; I never should have got any person to do that, but that I was afflicted with the gout.

465. How came you to get Bridgewater to sign?—I was so ill with the gout; he had the receipts.

466. How came he to have the receipts?—I gave them to him with the intention of sending him up to Mr. Mant's to ask him to allow him to sign.

467. What was the use of getting him to sign five shares when you had 55?—If he would allow him to sign for five shares I should have sent them all up, being so much afflicted with the gout; but I was advised, by my wife, I think, to go up and do the business myself.

468. Your first intention was that Bridgewater should sign for the whole 55?—Yes, in case it would be allowed.

469. What is Bridgewater?—I understood him to be a midshipman in the navy.

470. Your first intention was, having received a premium from Mr. Bourne, to sign the whole 55 shares yourself; your first intention was to have got Bridgewater to sign for you?—Yes, to have signed for the whole.

471. You would have got rid of the responsibility?—I did not think there was any responsibility attached to it; I thought very likely as soon as the shares were sold all the responsibility was ended.

472. You expected to sell them again?—Yes.

473. You did not buy them to keep?—My own?

474. Yes.—Certainly not.

475. When did you first tell Mr. Crutwell that you had signed for another person?—I do not know.

476. Did you go of your own accord?—I told him and others; if I thought there had been any harm I should not have told him; I did it openly; not only did Mr. Crutwell know of it, but other persons.

477. You did not think there was any harm in taking money to sign for these shares?—No.

478. Mr. *Hawes.*] What did you pay Bridgewater yourself?—Nothing; not a single farthing.

479. Did anybody else pay him anything?—Not that I am aware of.

480. Mr. *Hindley.*] You said you never told any man your circumstances?—When I say circumstances, I mean my private circumstances.

481. How did these persons know your circumstances?—Mr. Crutwell knows my circumstances better than anybody else; I was 30 years in the service of his father and uncle.

482. He knew that you were a man of straw?—Yes, if you may term it so; but——

483. How long is it since you were in Mr. Crutwell's service?—Ever since he gave up the waggon business.

484. Mr. *Evans.*] You were going to state you were not a man of straw?—I have been in better circumstances, but I have been a great speculator; I lost a great deal of money in the Spanish bonds.

485. *Chairman.*] Did you ever communicate with Mr. Stone that you were signing for other persons?—I did not.

486. Did Stone have any communication with you; did you act by his wish or desire in any way?—No.

487. Mr. *Hawes.*] Was Stone likely to know your circumstances at all?—I am not aware that he does.

488. Did you tell Mr. Motley?—I had very little conversation with Mr. Motley; he knew nothing of my signing for others.

489. You had no transaction with Motley or the promoters of the Bill?—I knew several gentlemen belonging to the Bill who have talked of things of that kind.

490. Were they aware that you were signing for them?—That I cannot say.

491. Did you tell them?—I did not.

492. Mr. *A. Johnston.*]—What did you understand was the meaning of your signing of this contract?—I thought if these shares were resold, all my responsibility would be at an end, but Mr. Mant said the responsibility would be taken off my hand after the Bill passed the House, and had gone through Parliament.

493. Mr. Mant said so?—Yes.

494. When?—When I signed it; that I was responsible till the Act passed.

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495. Sir *H. Williamson.*] Did you know Mr. Mant?—Yes, for years.

496. Did he know you?—He might not have recollected me; he must have seen me.

497. *Chairman.*] I want to know whether Mr. Mant did not explain to you that the shares were not transferable till the Act passed, and that when the Act passed they would be transferable?—That I cannot recollect.

498. Did he tell you that if you transferred your shares to anybody ese, you would not get rid of your responsibility till after the Act passed?—I do not recollect.

499. Mr. *A. Johnston.*] Was it your understanding, that you were responsible till after the Act passed?—While I kept those shares I thought I was responsible, but the moment I sold them, I thought my responsibility ended.

500. Have you ever tried to sell them?—Not them; I have sold many others; bought and sold; every transaction I have had has always been fair and open; I have never done anything but what has been fair and open.

501. Mr. *Hawes.*] What do you mean by responsibility for shares?—When I held these shares in my possession, I thought, at the most, if I could not get rid of them, I should have to pay the call.

502. Have you felt yourself equal to meet the call for 100 shares?—Certainly not.

503. Mr. *Hindley.*] You did not think that call should be made before the Act passed?—I thought I should sell the shares.

504. You knew you had no means to meet this demand on you?—Certainly not.

505. Mr. *A. Johnston.*] Your own idea of the responsibility was this: although you had signed the contract, if you did not actually hold the shares, there was no responsibility?—Certainly.

506. Mr. *Hawes.*] You state that this Bridgewater is a mere pauper?—Yes.

507. What is his appearance in point of dress?—He is rather respectable; but on Sunday morning when I saw him, he was in a deplorable state.

508. Was he respectable when he went to sign those shares?—Not so respectable as he is to-day.

509. Had he the appearance of a gentleman?—No; he was not so respectable as myself when he went to sign.

[The Witness withdrew.

The room was ordered to be cleared.

On parties being re-admitted, the Chairman stated, that the Committee had directed him to ask whether Mr. Crutwell had any witness to bring these transactions directly home to Messrs. Mant & Bruce, or any other parties concerned for the Company.

Mr. Crutwell stated, that the next witness he should call he thought would satisfy the Committee.

The Chairman stated, that the Committee did not wish to interrupt the course of Mr. Crutwell's examination, but simply to direct his attention to the necessity of bringing forward stronger proof than he had already done of the connivance of the parties connected with the Railway.

Mr. *George Laurence,* called in; Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

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510. I BELIEVE you are a pawnbroker in Bath?—I am

511. In the month of March 1836, I believe you agreed with Mant & Bruce to take 180 shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway?—I did.

512. Did you pay the deposit down?—I gave a note of hand.

513. Have you got that note of hand with you?—Yes.

514. Produce it?—There it is (*putting it in*).

515. You paid the first 125*l.* on the 5th of May?—Yes.

516. That was for 50 shares?—Yes.

517. That you signed the contract for yourself?—Yes.

518. On the 15th of June 1836 you paid another sum of 125*l.*?—Yes, for 50 more shares.

519. Did you sign the contract for those 50?—No.

520. Did you ask Messrs. Mant & Bruce to allow a person to sign for you?—These 50 shares had been taken in my father's name; my father took them at my

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instance, and subsequently refused to have anything to do with it; he objected to it, and, being an aged man, I relieved him of it; I then applied to Messrs. Mant & Bruce for another person to sign in lieu of my father.

521. And they granted you that permission?—Yes.

522. Who did so sign?—John Barber.

523. Did you pay him for signing?—Yes, I gave him something.

524. What did you give him?—Ten shillings.

525. Who was present when Barber signed the deed?—Mr. Mant, and his clerk, Mr. Stone.

526. Were you present also?—Yes.

527. And they made no objection to Barber signing?—No; I explained to Messrs. Mant & Bruce, as I have now explained to the Committee, that the shares had been taken by my father, and he wished me to relieve him of them.

528. Did you know Barber before?—No.

529. How came you to find out Barber?—He was introduced to me by a friend.

530. A Mr. Cartland?—Yes.

531. He keeps a shop in Old Bond-street?—Yes.

532. Do you know the circumstances of Barber at all?—No; he was a stranger to me.

533. On that 17th of June 1836 you paid another 125 *l.*?—Yes.

534. And you got the banker's receipt?—Yes.

535. Did you sign for those?—No.

536. Did you ask any one else to find a person to sign for you?—Yes.

537. To whom did you apply?—I asked one of the clerks of Messrs. Mant & Bruce if he would procure another person to sign in my behalf.

538. What is his name?—Stone.

539. Did he send any note stating that he had procured a person?—Yes, he did.

540. Have you the note?—Yes (*reading it*): "Dear Sir, I have provided a person to sign the deed in your stead; he will call here about half-past one o'clock. If you could arrange to pay the money into the bank, and give me the receipt before that time, I will give you the scrip when I go to dinner, and so settle the business. Yours truly, John Stone, 2, Wood-street."

541. In consequence of receiving that, you left the scrip in the office of Messrs. Mant & Bruce, in the possession of John Stone?—No; I gave the banker's receipt to Stone, and he brought me the scrip.

542. Did you give Stone anything for procuring this person to sign?—I gave him a trifle.

543. What was it?—Five pounds.

544. Who was it he got to sign for you?—I have seen the person since I have been in London.

545. Do you know his name?—I believe Pritchard, but I have been told it is Plaisted; here is the undertaking signed by him.

546. That was signed at the time the deed was signed?—"I beg to acquaint you that I have parted with the shares of the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Union Railway, numbered 2631 to 2680, inclusive, for which I subscribed the contract deed, and therefore renounce all title to be registered as a proprietor in respect of such shares, in order that when the certificates shall be brought in, and the signature of a substituted proprietor shall have been given to the deed, I may be discharged. I am, &c., John Plaisted, jun.—Witness, John Stone."

547. Did you get any other memorandum from Stone with regard to Barber signing for you?—Yes, with regard to the number.

548. What does that mean, 390–350?—It is the shares which Barber signed for.

549. Just look at it.—Mr. Barber signed for those.

550. And you signed for the others?—I signed for 309 to 358.

551. Do you know whether Mant & Bruce were aware that Plaisted was signing for you?—I am not aware that they were.

552. You have only stated 150 shares; there were 30 other shares; on the 18th of June 1836, you paid 75 *l.* more for deposits?—Yes, I did.

553. Did you get a banker's receipt for it?—Yes.

554. Did all those shares belong to you; those 30?—I think it is right to explain that those shares were applied for by Mr. Northmore, and they were refused, and Mr. Northmore then requested me to take them in my name; I had not at that time taken so many, and they were granted me, with the understanding between

between Mr. Northmore and myself that they should be his when so granted; I paid for them in the note of hand you have read.

555. And when you took the receipt of Mant & Bruce, did Northmore accompany you to the office and sign the deed for the whole 30?—Yes; I knew Northmore signed the deed, but who were present I cannot state.

556. Have you had any interview with Mant & Bruce since on the subject of taking the shares?—I have seen Mant on several occasions, and he has shown me the names of noblemen and gentlemen who are favourable to the line.

557. Mr. *Hawes.*] Did Northmore state why he was refused shares?—I think it was in consequence of his already having taken as large a number as the solicitors thought prudent to grant him.

558. Sir *H. Williamson.*] Who is Northmore?—A saddler, in my immediate neighbourhood.

559. Mr. *Crutwell.*] Have you had any conversation with Stone?—Yes, frequently.

560. And he has the management of the railway business?—Stone lives in my neighbourhood; as a neighbour, I have frequently asked him how matters have been going forward, and the probability of getting the Bill.

561. Had he got the deed signed generally?—I believe he did.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Burke.*

562. Stone is a friend of yours?—He is a neighbour.

563. And you have friendly intercourse with him?—I knew but little of him before this circumstance took place; but feeling an interest, and having shares, and knowing him as a neighbour, I have frequently asked how the thing has been going on.

564. You had no sort of acquaintance with him before this railway started?—None whatever.

565. You say you had 180 shares allotted to you?—Yes; I have explained that 50 were granted to my father.

566. Are you in an extensive way of business?—No, I am not.

567. You are not generally reputed to be a man of some property there?—I should say not of some property; nothing of any consequence.

568. How many shares did you apply for originally in your own name?—Fifty.

569. Did you not afterwards repeatedly apply to Mant & Bruce to give you more shares?—I believe I applied for a second 50.

570. Was it granted?—Yes.

571. Did you apply for any more?—I applied for 50 more for my father.

572. Did you apply for any more for yourself?—Thirty.

573. Were they granted?—Yes.

574. Have you ever been refused shares?—Never, to my recollection.

575. *Chairman.*] Did you apply indirectly through Mr. Stone?—Never, but personally.

576. To whom?—To the solicitor.

577. Mr. *Burke.*] Was it not in consequence of having been refused shares yourself that you came for shares for your father?—I have no recollection of any shares being refused; it may have been the case; I have not any recollection of it; I should have recollected if it had been.

578. Were you not told that only a limited number could be allotted?—That was with regard to my father: it was stated that the whole of the shares had been disposed of; but they had the allotment list, and if the 50 could be granted I should know.

579. Did they not state that this allotment list was reserved in order to give landowners the option of taking?—Yes.

580. Have you had any other share dealing in any other railway?—Yes, in the Great Western.

581. In any other?—The Eastern Counties,

582. Any more; give us a list of some more.—I think five in Sir John Rennie's Brighton.

583. Have you not, in fact, been engaged very largely in share dealing transactions?—I can give you the amount; I have kept a little railway ledger as to the amount; a little memorandum book.

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584. Can you state in round numbers what number you ever had on your own account?—I have paid 2,651 *l.* on shares.

585. In deposits?—In deposits and in premiums on them.

586. Are you not possessed of some house property in Bath?—I think I have five houses; I have houses, and ground-rents issuing out of houses.

587. Then, in point of fact, you are pretty well known as a man of property in this neighbourhood; are these good houses?—No, they are small houses.

588. What is the annual rental of them?—About 8*l.* a year each.

589. Have you any objection to state what you gave for your ground-rents that you hold?—I think about 3,000 *l.*

590. And your business is rather good; I am told so?—Perhaps a second or third rate pawnbroker in the town.

591. Can you give us any notion of the average return of your business; if you have an objection we cannot press it; it is not under 500*l.* a year?—Certainly not.

592. Probably all those things might lead Mant & Bruce to suppose you were not wholly incapable of taking those shares you applied for?—I should say not.

593. Now with regard to the first person, Barber, whom you induced to sign, did anything pass between you and Messrs. Mant & Bruce when Barber was allowed to sign?—Yes.

594. What passed on that occasion?—I introduced Barber as being a person whom I wished to sign the deed in respect of my father's 50 shares.

595. Did you state him to be a respectable man?—I could not do so; he was not introduced to me till that day.

596. Did you not state that your father had given up the shares, and Barber had taken them?—Yes.

597. And that your father was ill, and declined rather to have anything more to do with them?—Not that exactly.

598. That he was an aged man, and wished to decline?—Yes.

599. You induced him to take shares?—Yes.

600. And when he had them he declined to sign for them, being unwilling to have anything to do with railway speculations?—Yes, he was always averse.

601. And then you represented that fact to Messrs. Mant & Bruce, and said this person had taken your father's shares?—I told the solicitors I had relieved my father from them, and that Mr. Barber would sign the deed.

602. Did you not, in point of fact, state, that Barber had your father's shares?—No.

603. Do you mean to state that as a fact, that you did not tell them that he was holding them?—No.

604. Do you think anything passed that would lead to the inference in Messrs. Mant & Bruce's mind, that the person whom you yourself brought to sign for these shares was the person holding them from your father?—I should rather think they drew that conclusion.

605. *Chairman.*] That they were actually sold to this man?—No; I should rather say that Mant & Bruce concluded I had relieved my father of them, and I had asked the favour of them to allow Barber to sign in lieu of my father.

606. They understood that Barber was your nominee?—Yes.

607. Mr. *Burke.*] Did you know who Barber was?—No.

608. Is he a respectable looking man?—He is.

609. He came under your introduction?—Yes.

610. You did not tell Messrs. Mant & Bruce who he was?—No.

611. He being a respectable looking person?—The fact is, I said to a friend, I was unwilling to sign the deed, on which he said he would introduce me to a perfectly respectable man, who would sign it for me.

612. Do you not think, on reconsideration, you may have told Messrs. Mant & Bruce that he was a respectable man?—If I did it was from report.

613. Did you not lead them to believe that he was in point of fact a respectable man?—It is a possible case.

614. Messrs. Mant & Bruce had known you for years?—Yes

615. You have been established near them for years?—Yes; and they have done business for me.

616. You have employed them?—Yes.

617. They knew your father, probably?—Mr. Mant does.

618. Did

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618. Your father is a man of some property?—My father is a man of independent circumstances.

619. A landowner?—Yes.

620. You have known Messrs. Mant & Bruce for a long time; are they not people of very high respectability in Bath?—I never heard anything to the contrary.

621. The next case we come to is that in which you gave Stone a trifle; I want to ask whether in this transaction of Stone's you ever had any communication with Messrs. Mant & Bruce themselves?—I wish it to be perfectly understood that it was a voluntary offer to Stone; he did not ask me for anything; I told him I would give him a compensation if he would procure a person to sign for these 50 shares.

622. Has anything ever passed that has induced you to conclude that Messrs. Mant & Bruce had a knowledge of that fact?—No.

623. You do not suppose they authorized Stone to take 5 *l.* for this?—I should say not.

624. Stone is a neighbour of yours?—He is.

625. What is his age?—Under 20.

626. And not very wealthy in his circumstances?—I should say the reverse of that.

627. You found him ready to accept 5 *l.* from you?—Yes.

628. There is a note put in by Mr. Stone, which states, "Dear sir, I have provided a person to sign the deed in your stead; he will call here about half-past one o'clock; if you could arrange to pay the money into the Bank and give me the receipt before that time, I will give you the scrip when I go to dinner, and so settle the business. Yours truly, John Stone, 2, Wood-street; Friday." Generally speaking, when you have had dealings with Messrs. Mant & Bruce, you had dealings with themselves?—Yes.

629. Do not they generally write to you on their business themselves?—Yes.

630. Or if a letter has come from their office signed by a clerk, is it not signed "for Mant & Bruce?"—I never received such a note.

631. You had no doubt, in this transaction with Stone, you were dealing with him individually?—Yes.

632. He says, "I will give you the scrip when I go to dinner, and so settle the business;" the transaction was not in Mant & Bruce's office?—No.

633. You gave him 5 *l.* to find a man, and he afterwards, out of his master's office, goes to your house and brings the scrip there?—Yes.

634. Mr. *Crutwell.*] When you spoke to Stone about the shares, you considered him as the representative of Mant & Bruce?—As their clerk.

635. Did you consider the transaction to be with him individually, or for Mant & Bruce?—With him.

636. As the agent for Mant & Bruce?—I should say, with Mr. Stone himself; I asked it as a personal favour.

[The Witness withdrew.

John Stone, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

John Stone.

637. YOU are clerk to Messrs. Mant & Bruce?—Yes.

638. Have you been attending to the Bath and Weymouth Railway business?—have.

639. Directed by Messrs. Mant & Bruce to do it?—I have.

640. Do you recollect Mr. Laurence applying to you to procure some person to sign the Parliamentary contract for him?—Yes.

641. Did you get some person?—I did not get him; I asked a fellow clerk to get some one.

642. Did Mr. Laurence promise you any money to get him?—He offered me 5 *l.*

643. Did you take it?—Yes, after the person had signed.

644. How much had the person for signing?—I did not give him anything.

645. Did you divide the 5 *l.*?—I kept 2 *l.* myself, and gave the rest to my fellow clerk; and I believe 1 *l.* was given to the person who signed.

646. Who is the fellow clerk; what is his name?—Davis.

647. Is he a clerk now?—He is dead.

648. Did you see Mr. Plaisted sign the deed?—I did.

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649. Who was present when he signed?—Myself, Mr. Mant, and Davis.

650. You knew he was signing for Mr. Laurence?—Yes.

651. Did you write a note to Mr. Laurence, stating that you had got some person to sign for him?—No, I believe I called on him.

652. Is that your handwriting (*handing him the note formerly put in*)?—Yes.

653. Where did you write that note?—At Wood-street.

654. Did you ever have any interviews with Mr. Laurence?—Yes; but not at the office.

655. On the railway business?—Yes.

656. Did you see another person sign for Mr. Laurence?—I saw a person sign; but I was not aware he was signing for Mr. Laurence.

657. Did Plaisted sign in consequence of your applying to him?—Not from my applying to him; my fellow clerk.

658. You were entrusted with the care of the railway business, getting the deed signed?—Jointly with the other clerks.

659. Did you ever apply to Messrs. Mant & Bruce, when a person called to sign?—At that time I did.

660. Was Mr. Mant well aware that Plaisted signed for Laurence?—I am not sure that I told him; Plaisted came into the room and produced his receipt.

661. You knew Plaisted had not shares in the Bath and Weymouth?—He had 10.

662. He signed for them at the same time?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Burke*.

663. You were engaged to go round to get signatures to the deed?—Yes.

664. You were directed by them to apply to persons to whom shares had been allotted?—Yes.

665. In this particular transaction, where you procured a person to sign the deed, had Mant & Bruce any knowledge of that fact, that you had procured a person to sign it?—None whatever.

666. It was a little private speculation of your own?—It was, and I am exceedingly sorry I did it.

667. That note was written to Mr. Laurence, in Mant & Bruce's office?—It was.

668. With their knowledge at all?—Not at all.

669. You say Mr. Plaisted signed in the presence of Mr. Mant?—He did.

670. Was he cognizant of the fact that Mr. Plaisted was signing for Laurence?—Not at all.

671. Is he respectable in his appearance?—He is.

672. What is he?—A managing clerk to a builder, at Bath.

673. In a confidential situation?—Yes.

674. Mr. Mant was wholly ignorant of the circumstances?—Yes.

675. Mr. Mant entrusted to you the care of getting these subscriptions, and keeping a record of them?—Yes.

676. And he placed confidence in you, that when parties came to sign the deed, that you knew something of the parties who came to sign?—Yes.

677. When Plaisted came to sign the deed, did Mr. Mant conceive he was a party possessed of shares, and had come to sign the deed for those shares?—Yes.

678. He had no other knowledge of the transaction?—No.

679. In any other case have Mant & Bruce had knowledge of any irresponsible party signing the deed for other shareholders?—None whatever.

680. Have you cast up the number of subscriptions to the deed?—I have.

681. Can you at all bear in mind how many persons have signed it?—Three hundred and thirty-three.

682. Out of those 333 persons, how many have signed who were not the persons to whom the shares were originally allotted?—Twenty-two.

683. Have deposits been paid on all those shares which have been signed for?—There have.

684. Have there not been deposits paid in respect of many other shares for which the deed has not been signed yet?—It has been credited by agents in Bath, in their accounts with the Company.

685. Tell me the capital of the Company?—£. 720,000, to the best of my recollection.

686. Do you know, according to the Standing Orders of Parliament, that a list of

of one-half of the capital to the subscription contract has to be deposited here before the Bill is brought into the House?—Yes.

687. Now, deducting those 22 persons who have signed the deed for shares not originally allotted to them, what is the amount of capital signed for by the parties to whom shares were originally allotted?—Four thousand six hundred and eight shares, amounting to 460,800 *l.*

688. Mr. *Crutwell.*] You have stated that all the deposits are paid; will you have the goodness to tell me whether Mr. George Northmore has paid the whole of his deposit?—I consider he has paid it.

689. You told us that Mr. Mant placed confidence in you when parties called to signed the deed; now, when Mr. Plaisted called to sign the deed, did you not know that Plaisted was not in a situation to pay up a single call on these railway shares?—I did not.

690. You did not know he was not in a situation to pay?—I did not.

691. Did you believe him to be in a state to pay the deposit on 60 shares?—I knew nothing of his private circumstances.

692. Do you think he could pay it?—I cannot answer it.

693. *Chairman.*] Were you employed by any other person to find substitutes?—No one.

694. What conversation have you had with Messrs. Mant & Bruce on the subject of this inquiry?—I told them I was very sorry for what had happened; I was not aware of the Parliamentary restrictions at that time; it was nine months ago.

695. When did you first tell them of it?—Yesterday.

696. Not till yesterday?—No; then I told them the whole transaction.

697. They were not aware of it till yesterday?—No.

698. Mr. *A. Johnston.*] You stated that there were 22, to whom shares had not been originally allotted, who signed the contract; were there any others except Mr. Plaisted who signed the contract at your instance?—No one.

699. *Chairman.*] How came you to speak to Davis, when you were first applied to to find a man to sign; how came you to speak to him?—We were all on friendly terms together; if he did anything he asked me about it, and if I did anything, I asked him.

700. Are you aware he had been engaged in any transaction of this kind before?—Not that I am aware of; I think he would have told me if he had.

701. Was he nearly the same age?—He was 21, and I am 19.

702. Are you a regular clerk of Messrs. Mant & Bruce, or engaged for this occasion?—A regular clerk.

703. Under articles?—Yes.

704. Did you try to keep it a secret?—No one knew it in the office but Davis and myself; I never mentioned it to any one till yesterday.

705. State what passed in consequence of your communication to Mr. Mant as to this transaction; did you state it to him in London?—They were extremely angry with me, and I told them if I knew the consequence of it I should not have done it; I did not know at that time I was doing a great injury to the Company.

706. Mr. *Hindley.*] Was Davis a relation to the linen-draper?—No.

707. *Chairman.*] How came you to state all the circumstances to Messrs. Mant & Bruce yesterday; were you aware that the story would come out?—Yes; I thought it my duty to tell them of it.

708. How came you to know of it?—I have heard of it at Bath.

709. Were you written to to come up?—I was; but there was nothing mentioned in the letter of the subject on which I was coming.

[The Witness withdrew.

George Bridgewater, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

710. WHAT are you?—I belonged to the navy once; I left in 1814.

711. What are you now?—I have nothing but what my father allows me yearly.

712. How much is that?—£. 40 per annum.

713. And you have a wife and four children?—Yes.

714. What is your father?—A superannuated officer of Excise.

715. Did you, at the request of Mr. Rand, go to Messrs. Mant & Bruce's office?—I did.

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716. And sign for any shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway?—Yes.
717. How many did you sign for?—Thirty.
718. Do you recollect who was present?—I do not recollect.
719. Were there any gentlemen that you see now?—I think there is one.
720. Who?—The gentleman sitting there, (*pointing to Mr. Mant.*)
721. Was that another gentleman?—That is the one I mean, (*pointing to Mr. Burke.*)
722. Did they make any hesitation about allowing you to sign for these shares?—None whatever.
723. You had never taken any in the concern?—None.
724. Was Rand with you?—No.
725. But you brought some paper with you, to show your right to sign?—No more than the scrip.
726. You had another paper in exchange for that?—I had.
727. What did you do with that?—I gave it to Rand.
728. Did you ever get anything for signing?—Never.
729. You do odd jobs for Mr. Rand?—Yes, occasionally I have done so.
730. Mr. *Hawes.*] Have you anything to do with Messrs. Bruce & Mant?—No.
731. You do not know them?—No.
732. Mr. *Crutwell.*] Were you asked any questions when you signed?—None.
733. Did they let you sign freely?—Yes.
734. Was any other person in the room when you signed?—Three altogether.
735. Were other persons going to sign?—I was alone.
736. There was no confusion in the room; no hurry?—None.
737. Mr. *Hawes.*] Were you dressed then as you are now?—Similar to it.
738. Mr. *Hindley.*] Have you any pay from the navy?—No.
739. How long were you in the navy?—Seven years.
740. *Chairman.*] How came Rand to apply to you to go down that day?—Rand was ill at the time, though he had been down, and he asked me whether I would sign for the scrip which he gave me, and I said I would.
741. Did you take these five shares before Rand went, or after?—After.
742. He went down again afterwards?—I do not know.
743. Did he give you the receipts before or after he went down?—Before he went down.
744. Mr. *Hindley.*] He expected to meet you there?—Yes.
745. *Chairman.*] Were you known at all as the agent of Rand by Messrs. Mant & Bruce?—I really cannot say.
746. Mr. *Hawes.*] Are you living in a house of your own or lodgings?—In lodgings. [The Witness withdrew.

John Plaisted, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

John Plaisted.

747. YOU are a clerk in the employ of Mr. Lewis, a builder, at Bath?—Yes.
748. You receive a yearly salary?—Yes.
749. £. 60. a year?—Yes.
750. How old are you?—Twenty-six.
751. Did you take any shares in the Bath and Weymouth Railway Company?—Ten.
752. Who did you take them of?—Messrs. Mant & Bruce.
753. Did you receive from them the letter of allotment, showing you had only 10 shares?—There were two letters.
754. In fives?—Yes.
755. How long was that before you signed the contract?—Three months.
756. Did you at the request of John Stone sign the Parliamentary contract for him?—I did for James Waterloo Davis.
757. Were you known to Davis?—Yes, very intimately.
758. Why did he ask you to sign; what was the reason; did he state anything particular when he asked you to sign these shares?—He wrote me a note which I can show you.
759. Read it.—"To Mr. Plaisted. An answer. Not to be left," written on the back of it. It was sent to the office: "Dear Jack; I can earn you a sovereign if you will be here at two or a little before, and sign the Parliamentary deeds for 50 shares

50 shares besides your own 10. No liability, mind. I will vouch for that. In haste, yours, very sincerely, Jas. W. Davis. Friday morning."

760. That came from Messrs. Mant & Bruce's clerk?—Yes.

761. In consequence of that letter did you go to Mant & Bruce to sign the Parliamentary contract?—Yes.

762. And you there signed for how many shares?—Sixty.

763. You say Mr. Mant was present?—Yes.

764. Did he ask you any questions?—Merely the usual form after I signed, "I deliver this as my hand and deed."

765. Did he ask you who you were?—Yes.

766. Did you tell him?—Yes.

767. Where did you get this receipt from?—I had only my own receipt.

768. Where was the other; you did not give that at all?—No.

769. Is it usual when you go to sign a contract?—No.

770. Was Davis present?—Yes.

771. You took your own receipt, and you say you had not the other receipt?—I think I did.

772. Where was the other receipt for the 50 shares?—I never saw it.

773. They allowed you to sign without the receipt for 50 shares?—Yes.

774. Who was present then?—Stone, James Davis and Mr. Mant.

775. Did you go on straight to the office to sign the deed, or did you go to have any communication with Stone or Davis before?—No.

776. You then went to sign the deed without communication?—Yes; I never had the scrip.

777. When were you paid the 1*l.*?—Directly.

778. In the room?—Yes.

779. Before Mr. Mant?—No; he had left the room. When I signed the deed, Mant was running up stairs, and he had a gentleman with him, and I came back, and I think he was rather in a hurry at the time, and he left directly I placed my finger on the parchment.

780. He did not ask any questions; did he ask whether the shares were yours?—No.

781. Nor any other question respecting the shares?—I do not remember.

782. Recollect?—No; I have no remembrance of any.

783. Did he not ask you who you were?—Yes.

784. And you told him?—Yes.

785. Did you tell him you were a clerk?—I do not remember that.

786. He asked you who you were?—Yes; he asked me if my name was John Plaisted; I said yes.

787. Did he ask you what your business was?—I do not remember.

788. Only your name?—Yes.

789. Do you recollect, when you signed that deed, whether you signed any other paper?—I signed a renunciation.

790. Is that the renunciation you signed [*handing a paper*]?—That is my signature.

791. Was Mant present when you signed that?—No.

792. Who prepared that; whose handwriting is it?—It is not Mr. Davis's; but I cannot say whether it is Mr. Stone's.

793. Have you ever seen Stone write?—It is his handwriting.

794. Was it written in your presence?—It was prepared.

795. And everything filled up for you to sign?—Yes.

796. Are you prepared to pay up any call on those shares you signed your name for?—No.

797. Were you aware of the responsibility you were putting yourself to when you signed that deed?—I did not think much of it.

798. You thought a sovereign very well paid you; you did not mind signing 50 shares for a sovereign?—Yes.

799. Was the renunciation on the table while you were signing the deed?—No; it was taken out of Davis's private desk.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Burke*.

800. You were rather intimate with Davis?—Yes, very intimate.

801. You are going to marry his sister?—Yes, I believe so.

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802. In this transaction, did you have some conference with Davis about it?—No.

803. Nothing passed between you, but by note?—No; I was not aware of it till an hour before I signed.

804. You came and signed, and got your sovereign, and gave yourself no more trouble about it?—Yes.

805. And never talked to Davis afterwards about it?—We now and then talked of it, as we talk of a thing where there is any danger likely to come of it.

806. At this conversation were you led to believe that Mant & Bruce knew anything of this?—In fact, I knew they did not, from what he told me.

807. He rather told you to keep it to yourself quietly?—Yes.

808. Mr. *Crutwell.*] You thought Davis acted for Mant & Bruce?—Yes.

809. In that particular transaction?—No.

810. *Chairman.*] Did Davis ever desire you to keep it quiet, and say his master would be angry if he found it out?—Yes.

811. Did Stone ever tell you so?—I never conversed with Stone on the subject.

812. Mr. *Hindley.*] Who witnessed your signature?—Stone.

813. Did Mant know for what number of shares you signed?—He saw me sign the 60.

814. You said he paid particular attention?—Why, I think he saw me do it; he witnessed the signature.

815. I thought you said Stone witnessed the signature?—Not to the Parliamentary deed; Mant witnessed the signature to the Parliamentary deed, and Stone to the renunciation.

[The Witness withdrew.

The *Chairman* asked if there were any more witnesses for the Petitioners.

Mr. *Crutwell* answered in the negative.

The *Chairman* then asked Mr. Burke if he wished to call any witnesses on behalf of the Promoters.

Mr. *Burke* thought it unnecessary, unless the Committee wished it.

The room was ordered to be cleared.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Robert Gordon.	Mr. Walter Long.
Mr. Hawes.	Mr. Tooke.
Mr. Hindley.	Sir Hedworth Williamson.

MR. ROBERT GORDON, IN THE CHAIR.

Two Petitions from the Directors and Shareholders of the Bath and Weymouth Railway, denying knowledge of fictitious signatures or that there had been negligence, were read.

Mr. *Henry John Mant,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Burke.*

Mr. *H. J. Mant.*

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816. YOU are solicitor for the Bath and Weymouth Company?—I am, in conjunction with my partner, Mr. Bruce.

817. What is the capital of your company?—£.771,000, liable to be reduced in Committee, by knocking off a portion of the line, to 700,000 *l.*

818. Now, in the first instance, in the establishment of the company were great pains taken in securing a board of directors composed of persons of great respectability?—Not only of great respectability, but to select those who were landowners and merchants on the line having an interest in the undertaking.

819. How

819. How many directors are there?—There were 17 directors elected out of the provisional committee.

820. Out of those 17, how many are really landowners and persons interested?—They are all interested; I should say all landowners but three.

821. To what extent of capital do they subscribe?—£. 65,200.

822. How many of those do you consider acting directors, men who have taken an active part in these proceedings?—Every individual has attended different meetings at different times.

823. In the first place, when the prospectus was issued, was there not a form for the application of shares appended to that prospectus?—There was.

824. Have the goodness to read the form?—"I request that you will reserve and secure to me shares in the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Union Railway Company, and in consideration of your so doing, I agree, on receiving notice of the allotment, to pay the deposit of two pounds and ten shillings per share, in respect thereof, or of such of them as shall be granted to me, and to execute the Parliamentary Contract and Subscribers' Agreement, whenever called on so to do."

825. Was not that prepared under your advice with a view to point out to individuals who should apply for shares that they would have the deed to sign afterwards?—Distinctly so.

826. Upon the issue of that prospectus were there a great many applications for shares made?—The prospectus states the capital to be a million; there were 18,000 applications for 10,000 shares.

827. Did you and others connected with you, having this great surplus demand for shares, endeavour to select from among those whom you considered the most respectable?—Yes.

828. And you allotted the shares among those individuals?—Yes.

829. In the letter of allotment, were the parties told they should exchange their letter of allotment for a banker's receipt acknowledging the payment of the deposits on the shares?—Yes, that was the form.

830. Was it the plan of the company to grant scrip certificates only to those individuals who signed the deed producing the banker's receipt?—It was.

831. The banker's receipt being the evidence that they had paid the deposit on the shares?—Yes.

832. How many shareholders are there who have signed the deed?—Three hundred and thirty-three persons.

833. Out of those 333, can you tell me how many there are who were not parties to whom shares were originally allotted?—Twenty-two.

834. What was the extent of subscriptions of those 311 persons to whom shares were originally allotted?—Four thousand six hundred and eight shares.

835. And the others?—Five hundred and seventy-two.

836. The 22 persons?—Yes.

837. In allotting those shares to those individuals, Mr. Mant, will you have the goodness to explain the means that were taken to ascertain the responsibility of the parties to whom you granted them?—Those parties resident in Bath, whose circumstances we were acquainted with, we made no inquiry about; those that we did not know inquiry was made. Those parties that resided at Bristol, we made inquiry through the agents, Messrs. Savory and Clarke, and those parties with whom they were not acquainted, we made a further inquiry of through Mr. Baber, a sheriff's officer.

838. You made an application through a sheriff's officer as well as through the solicitor, in order to ascertain whether they were men whom they knew were responsible?—Yes. With regard to the country, the different agents wrote what the parties were, whether they were responsible and proper parties to hold the number of shares they applied for.

839. You did take the greatest care, in your notion, in ascertaining in the first instance that the parties were responsible, before you allowed them to become subscribers?—I did so; and we employed an agent to ascertain in London the responsibility of the parties, and the return was so bad that scarcely any shares were allotted in London.

840. Can you show the Committee the return from these individuals, pointing out whom they considered respectable and whom they considered not to be?—Yes. [*It was handed in.*]

841. After you had satisfied yourself of the respectability of the parties, and allotted

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allotted the shares to them, what period elapsed before the deeds were ready for signature?—Six weeks or two months.

842. When the deeds were ready for signature, did you send circulars to all the parties to whom you had allotted shares, calling on them to sign the deeds at your office?—Those who had paid the deposit were written to.

843. They being the parties to whom you had originally assigned shares?—Yes.

844. Did a great many come and sign the deed?—Yes.

845. Did several parties come who had not been originally holders of shares to ask leave to sign the deed?—Yes.

846. As there is an allegation in the petition relating to Mr. Thomas Haydon, will you state the circumstances under which Mr. Haydon endeavoured to have the contract signed by his foreman instead of himself, and the refusal?—Mr. Haydon's clerk came to the office with Mr. Haydon's receipt, and stated that he was come to sign the deed; he stated that Mr. Haydon was very ill, and could not attend. I stated to him that no person was allowed to sign the deed unless they had the shares originally allotted to them.

847. *Chairman.*] You stated that?—Yes; no substituted party could be allowed for an original holder; I said if it would be any convenience to Mr. Haydon, the deed should be sent to his house; I then sent the deed to his house, and the clerk came back and informed me that Mr. Haydon was not ill, but that he had gone to Bristol. Mr. Davis, the party who was examined before the Select Committee, applied to sign for other shares that he had purchased; I told him that the company could take no notice of any purchase, and therefore refused to allow him to sign.

848. Mr. *Burke.*] Did you not in point of fact find that several parties that applied to sign the deed for others to whom shares were not originally allotted, were in point of fact in your opinion more responsible than the parties to whom the shares had been originally allotted?—A great portion of them.

849. Did you not then consider you would not be invalidating your subscription list if you allowed some of them to sign?—We did not till we had been solicited by a great many shareholders; we were waited upon by a deputation, requesting us to allow parties, to whom transfer of the shares had been made, to sign the deed.

850. Was not Laurence one of the first persons in whose favour you broke through the rule?—Yes.

851. Mr. Laurence is a man of considerable wealth and property, in your estimation?—Yes.

852. Did he not represent that the party whom he wished to sign the deed for his father's shares was a man of very great respectability also?—He introduced me to him as being a respectable man, and a man who had taken his father's shares; his father being nervous and ill, he introduced Barber to me.

853. His father being ill, he introduced this man, and represented him to be a most respectable man, and thereupon you allowed him to sign the deed?—I did on his personal guarantee.

854. That I believe was the first case in which any infringement of the rule was made?—I cannot positively say it was the first case.

855. Now, with regard to Plaisted's signature, you were not aware that he was signing for Laurence?—Not the slightest.

856. *Chairman.*] He signed for Laurence's own shares, not his father's?—Yes.

857. Mr. *Burke.*] Did Barber represent that he was to sign the shares in lieu of Mr. Laurence, to whom they were allotted, or did he not lead you to believe that the shares were to be held by himself?—Decidedly so.

858. That was your impression?—Decidedly: I would not have allowed him to sign in any other way. He told me he had taken up his father's shares in lieu of his father: he said to me, "You know he is in ill health, and does not like to hold these railway shares."

859. Laurence was a man for whom you had acted as solicitor, and in whom you placed confidence as a man of respectability?—Yes.

860. Mr. Plaisted also was represented to you as the holder of the shares for which he signed?—The fact was this; I was requested to attest Mr. Plaisted's signature; knowing him to be a shareholder, I did do so; but when I saw him sign for 60 shares, I was somewhat surprised at the time.

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861. The persons whom you employed to get signatures to the deed were your clerks, Stone and Davis?—Yes.

862. How many years was Stone in your service?—Stone four years, and Davis eight years.

863. Had you employed them both confidentially?—Yes, Davis particularly.

864. Stone was an articled clerk?—He was.

865. You placed great confidence in what he told you?—I never had reason to doubt him.

866. In point of fact, you relied on Davis's representations of the respectability of the shareholders in the undertaking?—Yes; Davis requested me to attest Plaisted's signature.

867. Therefore, then it was that your own clerk, Davis, requested you to attest the signature of this individual, you being, as I think the evidence states, very much occupied at the time?—I was; I merely saw him sign for his shares.

868. You conceived that Davis would not bring you an improper person to sign the deed?—Yes.

869. You know nothing about this 5 *l.* transaction?—Not the slightest.

870. I believe you were employed as the agent for the Great Western Railway?—I was.

871. A great many persons there took shares at your recommendation and signed the deed?—Most of the parties who hold shares in this were shareholders in that undertaking.

872. Are there not a great many mechanics, and men in a humble state of life, who hold their three, four or five shares in that undertaking?—Yes, frequently; I have seen some whom I should not have thought worth sixpence.

873. And you have known those parties subsequently pay their instalments on their shares?—Yes, I have.

874. You saw Bridgewater when he gave his evidence here a day or two ago?—I did.

875. At the time you allowed him to sign the deed, was he apparently in the same condition as when he appeared before the Committee here?—He was rather better in appearance, as far as personal appearance and countenance.

876. Did you make any inquiry as to his competency to hold five shares?—Rand, who signed before him, stated that he held five shares, and that he was an officer in the navy, and would call and sign the deed.

877. You therefore had no hesitation in allowing him to sign for the limited number of five shares?—Not with Rand's recommendation.

878. Does Rand live in a good street in Bath?—In a tolerable street; he pays 40 *l.* a year for his house, from the situation.

879. Did you know anything of him before these circumstances?—Nothing at all.

880. You had no reason to doubt, from the general appearance of his house and business, that he was a man of respectability?—I have not seen his business; I have seen his house, passing by; I do not know the extent of his business except from report.

881. Did not one of your clerks tell you, on his going there, that he pointed out a picture in his possession worth 50 *l.*?—He told me that there were a great many fossils, antediluvian remains and curiosities.

882. It was not you he told about the picture?—No.

883. From general appearance, and what you knew of Rand, you believed him to be respectable?—Yes.

884. Mr. Bourne recommended Rand?—Yes.

885. What did you know of Bourne?—I had known him for 20 years as clerk to an attorney and collector of rates and taxes, and partly in partnership with his father as a corn-factor.

886. You had no reason to doubt at that time of the respectability of Bourne?—Not the slightest.

887. If Bourne came to you and told you that Rand was a respectable man, from the position which he held, you would conceive Bourne's representation was correct?—I frequently applied to Bourne for information respecting parties for whom I had to take bail, or other circumstances.

888. Having recommended Rand, I want to know whether Bourne and you had not some conversation, in which he held out some threat of proceeding against this company?—After the petition was presented to the House, stating that

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that the deed was signed by fictitious persons and men of straw, I met him in Bath, and I stated, "How is it, Bourne, you have turned against us, and are getting up this petition?" He said, "You know the shareholders are disappointed; you delayed the delivery of the scrip and the execution of the deed so long, that you prevented our selling the shares at a premium, when we might have got something by them, and got out of them; and the shareholders now are determined, if they can, to knock up the Bill." I told him, if the shareholders would make an application to the directors, and state what their grievances were, they would probably be considered.

889. Some of the witnesses have stated that you told them there was no responsibility in their signing the deed; in point of fact, will you explain what you did state with respect to the responsibility of parties signing the deed?—I told them there was no further responsibility till the Act of Parliament was obtained, than the deposit of 2 *l.* 10 *s.*; in most cases I pointed out a clause to that effect in the deed, and stated that the shares were not transferable, as they would see on the face of the scrip certificate, where there is a printed paragraph to this effect: "This certificate not transferable previous to passing of the Act," as will be seen by the certificate I have laid before the Committee; but the shares would be transferable when the Act was obtained.

890. I understand from you distinctly, that in no case you stated to any individual who took shares, that he would not incur the responsibility of signing the deed?—Decidedly not; it would have been ridiculous to have taken his signature.

891. On the contrary, you told them they would have to sign the deed?—Certainly. I can put in the contract signed by William Davis, and the contract signed by Bourne's father.

892. In the form of the prospectus?—Yes.

893. And you never led any of those parties to suppose they would not incur any responsibility in taking those shares as far as signing the deed, but after signing the deed they would not incur further responsibility till the passing of the Act; and then they might divest themselves of their responsibility by selling the shares, which they might do if they felt inclined to do so?—Yes.

894. Have you got a form of the banker's receipt for payment?—Yes.

895. Put that in.—Yes [*handing it in*]:

"No. 43, to Miss Hough. Received on account of the Treasurers of the Bath and Weymouth Great Western Union Railway Company, the sum of twenty-five pounds shillings, to be accounted for on demand. For Hobhouse, Phillott & Co, J. W. Mundy. £. 25. This receipt must be taken to the railway-office, and exchanged for scrip certificates, without which no person will be recognized as a subscriber, or entitled to any interest in the Company."

896. You have had experience in other companies; you were agent for the Great Western?—Yes, the Cheltenham and Swinden, and Bristol and Exeter.

897. And you happen to know that in all these cases shares have been transferred frequently before the passing of the Act?—Yes.

898. You know that many persons who got possession of those shares so transferred have been allowed to sign the deed?—Not in the case of the Great Western, because they were not at a premium.

899. In cases where they have been at a premium, you have known that to be the case?—Yes.

900. Has that been done to a considerable extent in the other companies you have been concerned in?—I cannot speak to that.

901. You have stated already, that out of all the parties who did subscribe for shares, only 22 have been allowed to sign the deed who were not originally parties to whom the shares were allotted?—Yes, in our case.

902. Do you happen to know that out of those 22 there are parties really more respectable than the parties to whom the shares were originally allotted?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Crutwell.*

903. You stated that all those gentlemen who were on the committee are now directors?—No, I say 17 out of those were selected as directors.

904. Is Mr. Miles a director?—No, he is not.

905. Has he taken any proceedings in the management of the preliminary matters of the Bill?—I did not say he had.

906. I ask you?—If you will select 17 out of the 37 who are directors, I will tell you whether they have taken any active part.

907. You

907. You stated that of the 17, all are landowners except three?—Yes.

908. Do you say all are landowners on the line between Bath and Weymouth?—I do not say the line passes through their fields or houses, but they are sufficiently landowners to have an interest in the Bill. Hand me a prospectus, and I will state who they are, and where their property is situated [*the prospectus was handed to the Witness*]. Charles Curme, esq., the line of railway passes through his property; William Devenish, esq., the same; William Eliott, esq., is a banker at Weymouth; Mr. Thomas Holway, the line goes through his property; Vaughan Jenkins, esq., the line goes through his property; Captain Savage, the line goes through his property; Hyde Salmon Whalley, esq., the line goes through his property; G. C. Welsford, esq., the line goes through his property; James Anthony Wickham, esq., the line goes through his property; Francis Yerbury, esq., the line goes within a quarter of a mile of his house, but does not touch his property; there is a river between. This is not a full list, or I could give you more. Then there is H. K. Brooke, esq., Hinton Abbey; as the line was projected when he became a director, it was supposed that it would pass through his property; as laid down, it passes near it only. Mr. Stafford of Bath, an auctioneer, is not a landowner, but greatly interested in the town, having property there; Mr. Henry Mant, my father, is another director; the line was laid down to pass through his property; it goes near it at Freshford, another part of the line: the first part alluded to is the tunnel, which will be omitted in Committee. I do not recollect the name of any others.

909. You say you did not allow a single person to sign unless they brought the banker's receipt?—Not that I am aware of.

910. When you attested Mr. Plaisted's signature, did he produce the receipt?—I left it to my clerk to take it; I explained, I was a very short time with him.

911. Did you send to Davis to execute the Parliamentary contract?—I gave instructions that the deed should be tendered to all parties who had not signed.

912. Is it within your knowledge that it was sent to Davis?—He stated it was; I gave directions to have the deed tendered to all parties who had not signed.

913. You stated just now, if an application was made on the part of the shareholders to the directors, they would attend to it?—Yes.

914. Do you recollect the meeting that took place at the Lamb Inn?—I do.

915. Was not that attended by a great many shareholders?—It was.

916. Was not that meeting allowed to go on in consequence of the representations that were made there of the flourishing state of the concern?—It was.

917. *Chairman.*] Were you present in the room when Plaisted came to sign?—I was not in the room; I was called down to attest his signature.

918. Had you known Plaisted before?—I never saw him before.

919. Did you make any inquiry who he was or what he was?—Davis told me before I came down stairs that Plaisted was confidential clerk to Mr. Lewis the builder, and that he had come to sign for the shares.

920. Did you consider that a man, who was only clerk to a builder, was in a situation of life to sign for 60 shares?—I did not observe the number he signed for until he signed the deed; then I spoke particularly about it, and the impression on my mind was this, that probably he was signing for shares belonging to his master, Mr. Lewis.

921. Did you speak to Davis on the subject in the presence of Plaisted, or at a future period?—At a future period.

922. You made no observation to Plaisted before he signed the deed, or after he signed the deed, as to his capability and responsibility for signing for 60 shares?—Not at that particular period; I concluded when he came to sign for the shares, that he was merely come to sign for his own shares which were allotted to him.

923. Did you know that he had shares allotted to him?—I did.

924. Had you sufficient recollection of the names of all the persons, that when you were informed that Plaisted had come to sign, you knew immediately from your recollection that he had only 10 shares to sign?—I had a list of those who had signed, in order to see who had not signed the deed.

925. Did you refer to that list before you came down stairs into your office?—I cannot say I did, but I might have looked it over.

926. Can you state to the Committee that from memory alone, when Mr. Plaisted's

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Plaisted's name was mentioned to you, you had sufficient recollection to know he only had 10 shares allotted to him?—I cannot, but I knew he was a shareholder; I was surprised to find him a shareholder for so large an amount.

927. Notwithstanding that, it appears you made no inquiry, and asked no questions of him as to his capability?—It happened that I was in a great hurry; I merely came in to see him sign the deed and attest his signature to the deed, and left it to Davis to take the banker's receipt, and deliver the scrip in exchange for the banker's receipt.

928. Now with respect to Bridgewater, did you ask Bridgewater any questions when he signed?—I was satisfied by the statement previously made by Rand, which was only 10 minutes or a quarter of an hour before.

929. Did you ever make any inquiry as to Rand?—The inquiry I made was from Bourne, and previously to his being allowed to sign a second time, I directed Stone to make inquiry as to his circumstances, and he told me he was respectable, and gave me further particulars to confirm the statement made by Bourne.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *William Adair Bruce*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Burke*.

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930. YOU have heard the evidence given by Mr. Mant?—Yes.

931. Do you generally confirm it?—Most decidedly, as far as I can speak from my knowledge; but I did not see quite so much of the transaction as Mr. Mant, because it was desirable that one party should attest the deed in order to prevent the expense of attending in London to prove it in Parliament; therefore he had a greater opportunity of seeing it than I had; with regard to the allotment of shares, I took more trouble than Mr. Mant did.

932. You confirm all Mr. Mant has said as to securing a respectable subscription list?—I was engaged jointly with the secretary at Weymouth for several days in going through the several share lists, and allotting them according to the apparent competency and respectability of the parties.

[The Witness withdrew.

Hyde Whalley Tooker, Esq., called in; and Examined by Mr. *Burke*.

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933. I BELIEVE you are chairman of the Bath and Weymouth Railway Company?—I am.

934. Did you take with the other directors a part in the allotment of the shares to the different shareholders?—Yes, I attended at the board-room when a large allotment took place.

935. Was the board in the habit of meeting frequently?—They met about once a fortnight.

936. Was it the habit at those meetings for reports to be laid before them of the parties who had applied for shares?—I cannot state every meeting; but when we had any considerable number of allotments to take place, we used to lay the case before the board, and used to allot to those whom we thought respectable, and refuse to those whom we thought not.

937. The allotments were only made under the sanction of the directors?—Under the sanction of the directors.

938. By the advice of those who were employed by them to inquire into their respectability?—Exactly so.

939. Did the directors take a very active part in the management of this undertaking?—Very much so.

940. They are parties principally interested in the line?—Yes.

941. And have attended frequently and numerously the meetings of the company?—They live in the neighbourhood; they are many of them magistrates in the county and deputy-lieutenants.

942. And have taken an active part in the superintendence of the affairs?—Yes; they have all considerable shares in the undertaking.

943. *Chairman.*] Were you aware at all of the general manner in which subscriptions to shares were obtained, or did you leave it to the solicitors?—We left it to the solicitors. I was not acquainted with the persons myself, although I know a great many of them certainly, because they live in the neighbourhood and on the line. We were very cautious in taking people from London; in fact, I do not

not think we have a single shareholder in town; we had people there to inquire into their characters, and we found they were not men to answer our purpose at all, and we struck them off to the amount of 8,000 subscribers.

944. Were those inquiries in London carried on under the direction of the board, or were those inquiries under the control of the solicitors?—Under the control of the solicitors, with my knowledge.

945. Was the result of those investigations continually and from time to time communicated to the board?—Certainly they were.

946. Were you aware of the instructions that were given to the agents at Bristol and other places as to the manner of obtaining shareholders?—No, I cannot say I was.

947. Did you see any of the returns from Bristol or other places containing confidential communications as to the property?—I did not; I saw the returns, not the confidential communications.

948. Were you aware that in any of those returns, opposite to the names, the word "speculator" was placed?—I have some recollection of that, and we struck them off.

949. Is it not the case that many persons, against whose names "speculator" was put, were still allowed to continue shareholders of the company?—I am not aware of that; if that had been so, we should have struck them off. I think we have very few Bristol shareholders. I beg leave to state that in many cases where applications were made by people on the line for 50 or 100 shares, we only allotted them half that number; the scheme was considered so good at that time.

950. You were not at all aware of any of the transactions complained of, namely, that of parties having been induced by payment of money to sign?—I never heard of it till a day or two before this Committee sat.

951. Were you in the habit of constantly attending the board?—I am chairman of the board; I live 12 miles from Bath; when I could not attend, another person was appointed.

952. Neither you, or, as far as you know, any of the directors, were implicated in any of these transactions?—I am certain they would not; they are all men of high character, and would not allow themselves to be so.

953. They were no way parties to these transactions?—Certainly not.

954. Have you any reason to believe that the surveyors or engineers, or persons employed on behalf of the Company, were implicated in these transactions?—I should think not; I never had the slightest idea.

955. Had you any communication with Motley at all?—No; I scarcely know him. He wrote a little pamphlet in favour of the undertaking.

956. Did you give Motley any per-centage, or any commission, for the number of shares he might contrive to dispose of among his friends?—It is usual in all undertakings, not with my knowledge at all, in all undertakings of this kind, solicitors have a certain per-centage for the trouble they take.

957. And Mr. Motley?—Most likely Motley had something.

958. He is not a solicitor?—No, he is an engineer.

959. Mr. *Hindley*.] Do you know the amount?—No.

960. Is it not generally 1 *l*. a share?—No, it is about half-a-crown.

961. *Chairman*.] Does that commission appear in your books, or is it included among the incidents?—It is among the disbursements when the accounts are laid before the board.

962. It forms an item under that head?—Yes, for commission.

963. Openly?—Yes, quite openly.

964. It is not any concealed payment at all?—Not the least in the world.

[The Witness withdrew.

REPORT

FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON

BATH AND WEYMOUTH RAILWAY SUBSCRIPTION LIST;

WITH

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE

TAKEN BEFORE THEM.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
26 *April* 1837.

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FIRST REPORT

FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON

DEPTFORD AND DOVER SUBSCRIPTION LIST;

WITH THE

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE,

AND APPENDIX.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
24 *April* 1837.

Mercurii, 22° die Februarii, 1837.

Ordered, THAT a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the matters of several Petitions, complaining of the Names of certain needy and indigent Persons having been inserted in the Subscription Lists of several Railways, and praying for Inquiry into the Case of the Deptford and Dover Railway Subscription List, on which subject the following Petitions were particularly referred :—

1st. The Petition of *John Chester, David Smith* and *Joseph Wright,* Owners and Occupiers of Land in the Line of the projected Kent Railway from Deptford to Dover, complaining of a Violation of the Standing Orders of the House :

2d. The Petition of *Richard Spenser* and others, who have signed, as they state, the Kent Railway Subscribers' Deed and Parliamentary Contract :

3d. The Petition of the *Directors* of the *Kent Railway Company,* praying to be allowed to meet the Allegations contained in the Petition above first mentioned :

4th. The Petition of *Frederick George Hamond,* gent., praying to be allowed to defend himself against the Imputations raised against his Character in the Petitions 1st and 2d above mentioned.

Martis, 1° *die Martii,* 1837.

A Committee was nominated of,—

Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Dugdale.
Mr. Brotherton.
Mr. Aaron Chapman.
Mr. Charles Lushington.
Sir Eardley Wilmot.
Mr. Thornely.
Mr. John Young.
Mr. Daniel Gaskell.
Mr. Forster.
Mr. George Evans.

Ordered, THAT the said Committee have power to send for Persons, Papers and Records.

Ordered, THAT Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Mercurii, 19° *die Aprilis,* 1837.

Order [1st March] that Five be the Quorum of the Committee, read, and discharged.

Ordered, THAT Three be the Quorum of the said Committee.

Ordered, THAT the Committee have power to report their Opinion, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, from time to time, to The House.

Veneris, 21° *die Aprilis,* 1837.

Ordered, THAT Mr. Dugdale, Sir Eardley Wilmot, Mr. John Young and Mr. George Evans be discharged from further attendance; and that Mr. Chalmers be added to the Committee.

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Sabbati, 18° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. J. Young.
Mr. Forster.	

Mr. *Thesiger* was heard in reply.

Mr. *Hill* was heard on the part of Mr. Hamond.

[Adjourned till Monday at Twelve.

Lunæ, 10° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Chapman.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Evans.	Mr. J. Young.
Mr. Forster.	Sir E. Wilmot.

[Adjourned to Wednesday, 12th, at Twelve.

Mercurii, 12° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. Evans.
Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. A. Chapman.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. J. Young.

Several returns were put in by Mr. *Macdougal*, and read.

The Report was read and considered.

[Adjourned to Monday.

Lunæ, 17° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. Lushington.
Mr. Evans.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Goring.	

[Adjourned to Wednesday.

Mercurii, 19° die Aprilis, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. Lushington.
Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Evans.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. J. Young.

Mr. *Parkes* put in Papers:—

No. 1.—Alphabetical List of Subscribers.

No. 2.—Analysis, &c.

No. 3.—List of Subscribers, &c.

No. 4.—Schedule of Directors of the Kent Railway Company, showing in what *other* Joint Stock Companies of 1835, 1836 and 1837 the same Names appeared as Directors, &c.

Mr. *Macdougal*, on the part of the Directors and of the Officers of the Company, stated that this *ex parte* Document was not admitted on their part to be correct.

Mr. *Vallance* was heard to object to the admission of this Document, on the part of Colonel Henderson and of Messrs. Spooner.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in reply.

The Committee-room was cleared.

The Committee deliberated.

Motion made, and Question put—"That this Document be admitted." (Mr. Warburton.)

The Committee divided.

Ayes - - 3.	Noes - - 4.
Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Evans.
Mr. Thornely.	Mr. J. Young.
Mr. C. Lushington.	Mr. Forster.
	Sir E. Wilmot.

The Report was then further considered, amended and agreed to.

[Adjourned.

FIRST REPORT.

MR. WARBURTON reported from the SELECT COMMITTEE to whom several Petitions complaining of the names of certain needy and indigent Persons having been inserted in the Subscription Lists of several Railways, and praying for Inquiry into the Case of the Deptford and Dover Railway Subscription List, on which subject the following Petitions were particularly referred:

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And who were empowered to report their Observations, together with the MINUTES OF EVIDENCE taken before them from time to time to The House;——THAT they have taken Evidence on the matters adverted to in the said Petitions, or having reference thereto, and heard Observations on the Evidence by the Agents and Counsel of the Parties to the Petitions 1st, 3d, and 4th above mentioned, and considered the whole of the Premises; and have agreed to the following REPORT.

YOUR COMMITTEE, before proceeding to offer any observations on the case submitted to their inquiry, beg to state the principal facts of that case which appear to them to stand in evidence.

The project for the formation of a Company to obtain an Act for making a Line of Railway from the present terminus of the Greenwich Railway at Deptford, through Gravesend, Rochester and Canterbury to Ramsgate and Dover, to be called the Kent Railway, has been so mainly set on foot by the promoters, and sustained by transferring to it the property of three Companies projected for making two other Lines of Railway, the one to be called the Gravesend Railway, and to run from Deptford to Gravesend, the other to be called the Dover Railway, and to run from Gravesend through Maidstone and Folkstone to Dover; that some brief account of the proceedings had for the formation of these three projected Companies is necessary to a clear understanding of what regards the Kent Railway Company. 5109. 5110.

Original Gravesend Railway Company.

The original Gravesend Railway Company was set on foot by Mr. William Green, one of the present secretaries of the Kent Railway Company, in consultation 30 to 34.

sultation with some persons connected with the Greenwich Railway. They proceeded to form a board of provisional directors, which met for the first time
42 on the 28th of October 1834, and on the 19th of November issued a pro-
86. spectus for the formation of a Company, with a capital of 600,000 *l.* in 30,000 shares of 20 *l.* each ; deposit 10 *s.* per share.

Very few shares, it appears, in this Company were applied for ; and not more than about 1,000 were allotted, exclusive of those subscribed for by the officers and directors themselves. The deposits paid amounted to 1,931 *l.* 10 *s.*, which was nearly all expended by the autumn of 1835.

About this time the plan of a new Company, for carrying the same object into effect, having been brought to maturity, it was agreed to dissolve the original Company, and to transfer all their papers and surveys, together with the small
177. remaining balance of cash, to the said new Company ; which, in return, agreed to take upon itself all outstanding claims against the original Company, and to give shares in the new subscription to the subscribers to the original Company, at the rate of one such share for every pound by them so subscribed.

176. The dissolution of the original Company was completed on the 1st of December 1835.

For the names of the officers and the directors of this Company the Committee beg to refer to the Table given in the sequel, which will show how far the promoters of this Company were identical with the promoters of the other Railway Companies hereafter to be noticed.

New Gravesend Railway Company.

The first meeting of the promoters of the New Gravesend Railway Company
185. was held on the 13th of October 1835, when a board of provisional direc-
206. tors was appointed, and a prospectus was prepared, agreeing in all essential particulars, as regarded the plan in contemplation, with the prospectus of the original Company, except that the deposit per share was raised from 10 *s.* to 1 *l.*
186, 187. The chairman, the engineer, the solicitor and the secretary remained the same. New bankers were appointed ; some, who were directors of the original Company, were not appointed, and some new directors were introduced. For the names of the officers or directors of this Company, who were also officers or directors of the original Gravesend, the Dover, or the Kent Railway company, Your Committee beg to refer to the Table given in the sequel.

270. The reception of applications for shares was closed the 3d of November ; and
272. on the 4th, it being reported by the secretary that nearly 80,000 shares had been applied for, it was resolved, that out of the total number of 30,000 shares, 22,269 should immediately be appropriated to the public, and a committee
281. was appointed to make the appropriation.

279 to 283. 5164. This committee took considerable pains to distribute shares to such of the applicants as were considered able to pay their deposits ; and in selecting parties for refusal, the committee availed themselves of a list, which the directors paid
2723. 2727. 2751 to 2754. money for obtaining, currently known by the name of the Black List, containing a catalogue of persons described as Letter-writing Share-hunters, men who watch
1510. 1526. 1552. 1580. 1599. for projects coming out, write for shares, and sell the letters of appropriation they obtain for what they can get. The letters, appropriating shares, were
271. sent out on the 6th of November ; and the result of the care which had been taken in making the allotment, is stated to have been, that the Parliamentary Subscription Contract of the New Gravesend Railway Company presented a very
5130. 5184. substantial and *bonâ fide* list of subscribers from beginning to end.

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On the 13th of November the deposits paid amounted to 18,600 *l.*; and on the 5th of January 1836, the Board advertised, that the whole of the capital had been subscribed, that the deposits were paid, and that the Standing Orders of both Houses of Parliament had been complied with. 274. 254.

Of the shares appropriated, the following account has been rendered to the Committee by Mr. Green, the secretary:

Shares appropriated to subscribers to the original Gravesend Railway Company - - - - - - - - -	1,931	576.
Ditto - — - to the public, pursuant to the Board's resolution of 4th Nov. 1835 - - - - - - -	22,269	272.
Ditto - — - to directors - - - - - -	2,800	576.
Ditto, afterwards distributed, and paid for - - - -	1,020	
Total - - -	28,020	

There is a difference between this statement and that given by the same gentleman in 1836 before the Committee on the South-Eastern Railway Bill, when he stated that deposits had been paid on 29,401 shares, and this difference has not been explained in the Evidence before Your Committee. 639.

Prior to the second reading of this Bill in The House, the shares, it is stated, were at a considerable premium; but on the 29th of February 1836, the Gravesend Railway Bill having been thrown out on the second reading, by a division or 177 to 63, the shares afterwards fell to a less price than could have been returned per share had the project been abandoned, and the balance of cash in hand been divided amongst the shareholders. On the 13th of April this Company merged in the Kent Railway Company, under circumstances which will be stated after giving an account of the Dover Railway Company. 333. 2930.

Dover Railway Company.

The origin of the Dover Railway Company, the line of which was to run from Gravesend through Maidstone and Folkstone to Dover, was as follows: 4600 to 4607.

On the coming out, at the close of October 1835, of an advertisement, announcing the project of the South-Eastern Railway, that project, if carried into effect, appeared to Lieutenant Brothers and Mr. Walter, directors of the Gravesend Company, so likely to be injurious to the prospects of the Gravesend Railway Company, that they determined to get up the project of the Dover Railway, as soon as possible; and, assisted by Mr. Green, they drew up an advertisement, announcing the formation of the Dover Company, which was published in the Dover Chronicle of the 5th of November 1835. It announced that the Line of the Railroad had been surveyed; that the estimated capital for the undertaking was one million sterling, to be raised in 20,000 shares of 50 *l.* each, the deposit per share being 1 *l.* 1842. 1914. 574. 1844. 1851. 1879. 581. 1873.

For the names of the officers or directors of this Company, who were also officers or directors of the original or the new Gravesend, or of the Kent Railway Company, Your Committee beg to refer to the before-mentioned Table.

On the 10th of November, the day on which, pursuant to the advertisement, the application for shares was to close, 1,504 letters of application had been received, applying for 47,480 shares. A committee was appointed to appropriate shares; which task the committee executed, not, as was the case in the Gravesend Company, by carefully selecting those applicants who were considered most able to pay their deposits, but by distributing shares to all the applicants, without 583. 1905. 1897. 3374, 3375

1921. 1926. 1990. making any inquiry whatever as to their respectability, and mostly *pro ratâ*, according to the number of shares they severally applied for. The number of 1908. 1928. shares thus appropriated out of the total number of 20,000 was 19,407; and on the 13th of November, the day announced by advertisement for that purpose, letters, appropriating that number, were sent out to the different applicants. One consequence of the indiscriminate issue of shares that had been made, soon manifested itself in the sale, by a number of needy and 2012. 2017. 2019. 3376. necessitous persons, of the letters they had received, at the rate of 2*d.*, 3*d.* and 4*d.* a share premium; and another consequence, subsequently, in the fact, that deposits were paid on only 4,848 shares of the 19,407 shares which had 1932. 1936. 1979. been appropriated. A Subscription Deed, which was deposited in the Private Bill Office, was signed to the amount of 392,350*l.*, representing 7,865 shares; 1951, 1952. 1961. the difference between 4,848 and 7,865 arising, it is stated, from directors paying deposits, not to the extent of their subscriptions, but only on 20 shares, the amount of a director's qualification.

1942. A Petition for a Bill was presented to The House the 19th of February 1836, 1947. 1963. but that the Bill was dropped, in consequence of the loss of the Gravesend Bill on the second reading.

1985. On the 13th of April this Company merged, as will be hereafter stated, in the Kent Railway Company, though a final board-meeting was held so late as 1940. the 10th of June.

1989. The expenditure of the Company from first to last was 2,030*l.*

Kent Railway Company.

The Kent Railway originated in the following manner. On the 17th of March 1836, the Committee on the South-Eastern Railway Bill, which was for a 1964. 1963. Line from Croydon to Dover, was named. On the preceding day a committee of 1961. 1966. the directors of the Gravesend Company had been appointed to act in conjunction with a committee of the directors of the Dover Company; and on the 18th of March both those Companies petitioned to be allowed to appear by counsel as projectors of a competing Line, before the Committee on the South-Eastern Bill. 400. 406. 5111. 5114. On or about the 12th of April, while that Bill was yet in Committee, it was determined by the directors of the two Companies to consolidate them into one Company, to be called the Kent Railway Company, which determination the directors communicated to the proprietors of the two Companies in an address 4767. 4775. to them, which was published on the 13th of April. It was proposed by a director of the two Companies to call a meeting of the proprietors of the two Companies, in order to obtain their sanction to the proposed consolidation; but this proposal was overruled, it being considered, that under the deeds of settle- 4770, 4771. ment of the two Companies, the directors had full power to act as they might think best for the interest of the proprietors: and they thought it best for their interest to act as they did. In the address of the 13th, the proprietors of the 1997, 1998. two Companies were informed, that the holders of the scrip certificates of either of those two Companies, on which a deposit of 1*l.* per share had been paid, were 444. 412. to have the option, in exchange for two such certificates, of receiving a scrip certificate of the deposit of 2*l.* per share in the proposed new Company; and also, that such of them as might wish to obtain a further interest in the new Company, should be allowed a preference, in proportion to the number of certificates they might exchange, on making application to that effect on or before the 1st of May; and also, that any proprietor who might prefer to have the deposit already made returned to him, might receive the same, after deducting a proportion

tion of the expenses which had been incurred, so soon as the accounts could be made up and settled (of which notice should be given at the earliest opportunity), provided they expressed such their intention, in writing, to the secretaries on or before the 22d of April instant. No circular to the foregoing effect was sent, it is stated, to the subscribers of the Gravesend and Dover Companies; because at this time, when the shares had been bought and sold many times over, the directors did not know who the parties holding the shares of the original subscribers, and now representing them, really were. 5119.

On the 29th of April the directors came to the following resolution:— 434.
"Resolved, That in consequence of Colonel Landmann declining to appear before the Committee of the House of Commons, Mr. Walker be requested, at his earliest convenience, to make such survey of the country from London to the Kent coast, and the harbours, and every point affecting the facility of a ready communication with the Continent, as may enable him to determine upon and recommend a Line embracing, to the greatest extent, the interests of the Government in its various departments, and of the intervening towns and country."

In consequence of this resolution, Mr. Walker, on the 3d of May, had several conferences with the chairman of the Company; he declined, he states, at this time to allow his name to come before the public as consulting engineer, or as connected with the Line, until he had examined it, and made himself acquainted with its feasibility. He agreed, however, to examine the proposed line of country. 434. 3827. 3828. 3832. 5150.

On the 16th of May the Committee on the South Eastern Railway Bill reported on the proposed Line of the Kent Railway, as a competing Line to Dover with the South Eastern:

"That the Engineering Evidence on the Northern Line, or Kent Railway, did not establish a case in detail before Your Committee; but it appears to be a Line, which, as connecting the port of Ramsgate and other large towns in the north of Kent with London, and showing public advantages, may, for such purposes, entitle it to consideration hereafter, provided it can be shown that such a Line may be accomplished without insuperable engineering difficulty; but Your Committee do not, for the reasons before stated, consider it eligible as a Line from London to Dover." 5115.

On the 28th of May, the first prospectus of the Kent Railway, as a Line to Ramsgate, was published. 412, 413. 4763. 5117. 5147.

In that prospectus the above-stated opinion of the Committee, respecting the Line to Ramsgate, is quoted as the ground for the choice by the directors of Ramsgate and not Dover, as the terminus of their line. The capital is stated to be 2,000,000*l.*, to be raised in 40,000 shares of 50*l.* each, 2*l.* per share being deposited. Respecting the providing of this capital, it is stated, that the greater part of it has been provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late London and Gravesend, and London and Dover Companies, have been transferred to the present enterprise. Then follows an announcement, that as Mr. James Walker has undertaken to complete all the surveys, the subscribers may confide in the selection of the most eligible Line, and in the establishment of a case for the ensuing Session of Parliament, presenting in every respect the strongest claim to legislative protection and support.

In this prospectus the names of the officers and directors of the Company are announced. They were, it is admitted, nearly the same with the persons who

5109, 5110. were officers and directors of the Gravesend and Dover Companies. In proof of this, Your Committee refer to the Table which is here appended.

——	KENT RAILWAY.	DOVER RAILWAY.	NEW GRAVESEND RAILWAY COMPANY.	ORIGINAL GRAVESEND RAILWAY COMPANY.
Directors	Lieut.-col. Sir A. Leith Hay, M.P.	Col. Leith Hay, M.P.	Lt.-col. Leith Hay, M.P.	
	Charles Perkins, esq.	Charles Perkins, esq.	Charles Perkins, esq.	Charles Perkins, esq.
	Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq. M.P.	- - - - -	Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq. M.P.	
	Thomas Phillpotts, esq.	Thomas Phillpotts, esq.	Thomas Phillpotts, esq.	
	Wm. Pinney, esq. M.P.	Wm. Pinney, esq. M.P.		
	Rowan Ronald, esq.			
	George Rob. Rowe, M D.	G. R. Rowe, M.D.	G. R. Rowe, M.D.	
	Lieut.-col. Skerrett	- - - - -	Lieut.-col. Skerrett.	
	Owen T. Alger, gent.	O. T. Alger, esq.		
	Henry Short, esq.			
	Wm. Borradaile, esq.	- - - - -	Wm. Borradaile, esq.	Wm. Borradaile, esq.
	John Rodway Stock, esq.			
	John Brothers, esq., Lt. R.N.	John Brothers, esq., Lt. R.N.	John Brothers, esq. Lt. R.N.	John Brothers, esq., Lt. R.N.
	John Twells, esq.	- - - - -	John Twells, esq.	John Twells, esq.
	Edward Hughes, esq.			
	Lieut.-col. Utterton	- - - - -	Lieut. col. Utterto n.	
	George Money, esq.			
	George Walter, esq.	George Walter, esq.	George Walter, esq.	George Walter, esq.
	Robert Page, esq.	Robert Page, esq.	Robert Page, esq.	Robert Page, esq.
	John Yates, esq.	John Yates, esq.		
	T. Lamie Murray, esq., elected 14 Feb. 1837.			
		R. D. Neave, esq.	Rich. Digby Neave, esq.	
		Capt. Henry Jones	Capt. Henry Jones.	
		Alex. M'Dougall, esq.		
			John Moxon, esq.	John Moxon, esq.
			Jno. Fras. Maubert, esq.	Jno. Fras. Maubert, esq.
			Rob. Sutton, jun., esq.	Robert Sutton, jun., esq.
			Newman Smith, esq.	Newman Smith, esq.
			Thos. Eyre Wyche, esq.	
			J. P. Boileau, esq.	
			S. J. Boileau, esq.	
				William Pitcher, esq.
				Frederick Scheer, esq.
				Jas. Campbell, jun., esq.
				Thomas Hamond, esq.
				J. Alex. T. Smyth, esq.
				James Sutton, esq.
				Robert Sutton, esq.
				W. T. Beeby, esq.
				Abel Rouse Dottin, esq.
Bankers	Spooner, Attwood & Co.	Spooner, Attwood & Co.	Spooner, Attwood & Co.	
	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	Ladbroke & Co.
Engineer	James Walker, esq., appointed 1 Nov. 1836.	Col. George Landmann	Col. George Landmann	Col. George Landmann.
Assistant Engineer	- - - - -	John Herapath.		
Surveyor	George Smith	- - - - -	- - - - -	George Smith, as surveyor and architect.
Solicitors	James Vallance	James Vallance	James Vallance	James Vallance.
	A. H. M'Dougal.			
	Messrs. Currie & Woodgate (in prospectus, 1 Nov. 1836).			
Secretaries	William Green	- - - - -	William Green	William Green.
	Colin Smith	Colin Smith.		
Accountant	Robert Lancaster	- - - - -	Robert Lancaster?	Robert Lancaster, (examiner of a document, p. 8 of Evidence.)

The surrender of shares in the two former Companies, in exchange for shares in the Kent Railway Company, began on the 27th of June 1836.

It

It has been stated already, that there were of Gravesend shares on which deposits were paid, about - - - - - - - 28,020 576.

Of Dover Shares, on which deposits were paid - - 4,848

Together making a total in the two Companies of about - 32,868 shares, which, pursuant to the announcement of the 13th of April, might be exchanged for Kent shares.

Of these, it is stated that about - - - - - - 6,000 1674.
have not yet been brought in to be exchanged;

Leaving about - - - - - - - - - - 26,868 shares
of the Gravesend and Dover Companies, as the number which were actually brought in to be exchanged.

The mode of effecting this exchange is stated to have been as follows: new scrip was given in exchange for old, to any person who brought the old; who, on receiving in exchange the new scrip, was required to sign the deed. In what name, on delivering up the old scrip, a party claimed to have new scrip, was also entered on the certificate cheque book. No further inquiry was made who the parties exchanging scrip were. Their names were not scheduled. 460. 473. 461. 465. 1411. 2356. to 2359. 2413. to 2415. 2450. 469, 472.

The number of persons who refused to exchange their shares, and who in pursuance of the announcement of the 13th claimed to receive, and actually did receive back their deposits, was only two; and they held five shares each. One other person only, it is stated, has since made a similar application. 1665. 1670.

The day at first appointed by the directors for closing the door to the reception of applications for original Kent shares, was the 2d of May; but to shareholders of the Gravesend and Dover Companies, this day was further extended to the 15th of June; and the day at first appointed for sending out letters appropriating shares, was the 15th of June 1836. The number of letters of application for original shares was, on the 2d of May, 1,158, and the number of such shares then applied for, was 31,491. To the 15th of June 1836 inclusive, after which no more applications were made, the number of applicants for original shares, was 1,174; and the number of such shares applied for, 31,926; and the number of such shares on that day appropriated, 15,598. The shares were never much in demand, nor did they ever rise to a premium. Address of 13th April. 4652. 1158. 4667. 4668.

To the 17th of February, the number of original shares on which the deposit of 2*l.* per share was paid, was, according to the secretary, Mr. Smith, 1,444, but according to Mr. Lancaster's list, 1,315. On this, Lieut. Brothers, one of the directors, remarks, "they sent out letters allotting shares to the full amount, reserving a certain portion for parties along the Line. Few shares were issued, because few paid. They issued a sufficient number of letters, but between issuing letters and paying deposits, there is a great difference." 2342. 6051. 4663, 4664.

It has been already stated, that the terminus of the Kent Railway, as announced in the first prospectus of the Company, dated the 28th of May, was not Dover, but Ramsgate; but the instructions given to Mr. Walker, on appointing him to survey the Line, were, that he should not limit his views to Ramsgate, but ascertain whether there was a good *bonâ fide* Line to Dover (a point which had been disputed before the Committee on the South-Eastern Bill), and report to the Direction his opinion which was the best Line for the shareholders and the public. 5150, 5151.

From the beginning of May, when he first received his instructions, until the 11th of October, Mr. Walker was engaged in making the requisite surveys; when, 3831. 3913.

when, having gone over the country, and reported favourably of the Line, that fact was publicly announced by the directors, in an advertisement dated the 12th of October, wherein Dover, as well as Ramsgate, was stated to be a terminus to the line. Mr. Walker, about this time, consented to be appointed consulting engineer; and this appointment was announced to the public for the
2456. 2458. first time in a prospectus dated the 1st of November. In other essential par-
2460. 2466. ticulars, this prospectus agreed with the prospectus of the 28th of May; and the capital, as therein advertised, was still two millions.

3841. On the 5th and 16th of August, and on the 11th of October, Mr. Walker made three Reports in writing to the directors; and he believes, that besides
3844. these, he made no other written Report. He delivered in his plans before the 30th of November, the day on which they were deposited in the Private Bill Office, and afterwards attended meetings of the directors, and had com-
3841. munications with the solicitors. During the period that intervened between
3848. his making the first and third of these Reports, and also at those meetings which he had with the board or their solicitors, he does not remember that the pro-
3841. bable cost of the undertaking was matter of discussion between him and the board of directors, or any member or solicitor of the board; nor did his Reports comprise any statement on the subject of expense. At the meetings which he
3848. attended, the subject of cost might be talked about, but he is quite sure from
3831. his general way of doing business, which is never to give an idea of expense
3848. without going into detail, that not one word escaped him, either verbally or in writing, that could give the Directors any reason to suppose that he committed himself in any way as to estimate. On his applying to the board for a resolution, directing him to prepare estimates, the directors, it appeared, had expected that
3852. his proceeding with the estimates was in the course of the instructions they had already given him; but those instructions, which were to prepare and deposit plans, he did not consider as embracing that kind of estimate that he thinks
3855. it necessary to prepare to go to Parliament with. Accordingly, on the 6th of December, he received a copy of the resolution of the directors, directing him to proceed with the estimates preparatory to the application to Parliament; and
3861, 3862. these he began preparing early in December. He states, that a general view of the probable cost of the Line is not to be had, until the whole figures are carried out, and the sum arising from them ascertained. That took place, as regards
3862. the engineering department, about the 4th of February, and amounted to upwards of 2,200,000*l.*: this was exclusive of the estimate of the amount of
3869. purchases, amounting to 750,000*l.*, which he did not receive from the surveyor,
3865. Mr. George Smith, until about the 11th or 12th of February.

3849. He is aware, that according to the published prospectus of the Company, the
3850. capital was 2,000,000*l.* Colonel Landmann was, in the former year, engineer to
3859. the Company; Colonel Landmann made plans, and probably made that estimate.
3857. Mr. Walker has seen his plans, but not his estimate. Whenever an estimate appears at the commencement of these things, whether made by engineer or
3858. solicitor, it is good for nothing. Mr. Walker considers himself unqualified, with all his experience, to give an off-hand estimate. An engineer, who is in the habit of doing things in detail, is just as little competent to make a gross
3896. estimate as any other man. Until the 4th of February, when his detailed estimate, as regards the engineering department was completed, he had not, from the data he had collected, any impression on his mind that the cost would very considerably exceed 2,000,000*l.*, any more than any gentleman might have, who formed an idea of the expense of a railroad.

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Your Committee beg to direct the attention of The House to the amount of subscriptions contained in the Subscription Contract at this particular juncture, on or about the 4th of February, when Mr. Walker ascertained that the cost of the Railway, as regarded the engineering department alone, would amount to 2,200,000*l.* If, from the total amount of the subscriptions attached to that contract, which is 1,590,150*l.*, there be deducted the subscriptions which were obtained, as nearly as the Committee have been able to ascertain, subsequently to the 4th of February, there will remain a sum amounting to about 970,000*l.*; and this result seems nearly to agree with the persuasion of the officers of the Company as to what the subscriptions amounted to about that time. Mr. Colin Smith, one of the secretaries, knew what that amount was; for, he says, that some time before the 14th of February, he had cast up the amount of subscriptions already attached to the deed, and kept a memorandum of that amount: he was aware, moreover, that it was necessary to have a moiety of the estimate subscribed. When he learned, therefore, as he states that he did, from Mr. Woodgate, one of the solicitors to the Company, about a week before the 13th of February, that the estimate would probably exceed 2,000,000*l.*, though to a small amount, he could not but be aware that the subscription list would be barely sufficient to cover the presumed moiety of the capital required.

1697. 1807. 1810. 2081. 3148. 2157. 2078. 2075, 2076. 2175.

Mr. Woodgate states, indeed, that to the best of his recollection he did not know that the estimate would exceed two millions until Monday the 13th of February. But, on the other hand, Mr. Walker has stated that he had frequent applications from Messrs. Woodgate & Co., to know what the amount of the estimate would be, and that it is very likely he might give them an idea it would be above two millions; but he would not state any amount until he had given the subject consideration.

3044, 3045. 3882. 3883.

Lieutenant Brothers, one of the directors, thinks that it was on the board day preceding that of the 14th of February, which would be on the 7th, that he first heard of the estimate being increased.

4513, 4514.

About this time, it being known that the estimate would exceed two millions, though precisely to what amount had not been ascertained, we find that the two secretaries, Mr. Green and Mr. Colin Smith, Mr. Walter, one of the directors, and Mr. Hamond, who is the chairman of one of the provincial committees of the Company, began to use extraordinary exertions to procure signatures to the Parliamentary deed. The description of persons who signed at this period, and the circumstances under which they signed, which they appear to have done, not of their own accord, with a view either to permanent investment of their property, or to speculating on a profit to accrue from a rise in the price of the shares, but at the intercession of the parties applying to them, and in order to oblige those parties, will enable The House to judge whether the subscriptions so obtained deserve to be considered in the light of *bonâ fide* subscriptions.

2173.

Mr. Hamond thinks that, about a week before the 14th, he asked the master of a ship, to which he acted as broker, John Garth, to sign the deed for 7,500*l.* Garth states, that he went with, and at the request of, Mr. Hamond to the Kent Railway Office, where some one, who he believes was Green, the secretary, asked him to sign, naming what the amount of the subscription should be. He did not know what the deed was, nor what it bound him to; nor did he read it, nor was it read to him. Had he known there was to be anything about it, he would not have signed for any person. He was not aware of the thing; he was not up to this sort of trick.

3705. 5367. 5372. 5376, 5377. 5384. 5379. 5382. 5383.

5670. 3730. 3732. Bartholomew White is a clerk in Mr. Hamond's counting-house, at a salary of 60 *l.* a year, and, as Mr. Hamond believes, is a minor. About the same time, at the Kent Railway Office, and in Mr. Hamond's presence, Mr. Green asked him to sign the deed, naming the sum for which he was to sign. He signed accordingly for 3,500 *l* He did not understand for whom he signed.

5682. 5687. 5690, 5691. 5676, 5677. Deed. 5698.

Edward Wilkinson, of Point House, Blackheath, was requested by Mr. Hamond to call at the Railway-office, in order to sign a petition in favour of the Railway. He called there, and put his name to what he thought was the petition, when Mr. Green, whom he knew, requested him to put the amount against his name. On Mr. Wilkinson observing, "What occasion is there for that? I have no interest; I have not written for a share;" Mr Green replied, "That is of no consequence whatever; you will never be called upon; we have plenty of subscribers; you are perfectly safe, and you may put your name down for what you like." Wilkinson then put his name down for 1,000 *l.*, but Mr. Green requesting him to make the sum larger, he altered 1,000 *l.* into 4,000 *l.*

3466. 3470, 3471. 3473.

2176. 2178. 3738. 706, 707, 708. 3738.

About the same time Green requested Mr. Hamond to allow his son, Charles Frederick Hamond, to sign; Mr. Hamond assented, but not for any definite amount, and sent his son to sign, who called at the office, where Green took his signature for 5,100 *l.*

568 to 571. 891 to 894.

Of this date are the signatures of six persons residing at Woolwich, whom Green requested to sign the deed, and who signed it on his representation, without paying any deposit, whose subscriptions amount in the aggregate to 14,900 *l.*

812.

Of this date, also, are certain subscriptions obtained by Mr. Green through the aid of Mr. Fooks, clerk of the Court of Requests of the town of Dartford, and solicitor to the Railway Company in that town.

4023. 4897. 4882. 4899. 4914, 4915. 4925. 79. 879. 4023. 5332. 5339.

One of the subscriptions is that of John Webb, calling clerk or serjeant to the said Court of Requests, an office worth less than 50 *l.* a year. The subscription is for 3,250 *l.* It was at Mr. Fooks's suggestion he agreed to take shares. His name on the deed was not written by him, but, with his authority, by William Fooks, son of the solicitor. The initials of Green, as an attesting witness, are placed opposite to this name, and to the names of three other subscribers at Dartford, though he did not see them execute.

Another of the signatures so attested is that of Mr. James Chipchase, a clerk in Mr. Fooks's office; the subscription is for 3,000 *l.* He signed, not as a subscriber on his own behalf, but at the request and on the behalf of William Fooks, who did not wish his name to appear on the deed.

2175.

Mr. Colin Smith states, that about this time, after he had received an intimation that the estimate of two millions would probably be exceeded, he obtained the signature of Edward Hicks Fielder, of Crosby-hall Chambers, agent, for 4,750 *l.*; but the circumstances of this case are not further explained in the Evidence.

5756. 5821. 5821.

Mr. Walter is the managing director of the Greenwich Railway and is one of the directors of the Kent Railway Company. He admits that he suggested the names of two gentlemen in the Greenwich Railway office as persons whom he thought he could get to sign the deed: these were John Yonge Akerman, secretary to the Greenwich Railway Company, who signed for 2,500 *l.*; and Henry Tyrrel Watkins, bookkeeper to that Company, at a salary of 100 *l.* a year, who signed the deed for 4,500 *l.*; it is believed that they signed about a week before the 13th. He has induced three or four persons to sign the deed;

deed; but except Akerman and Watkins he does not recollect who they were. If he had met 20 people he considered proper to sign, he would have asked them to go to the office to sign, as a matter of course. He told the secretaries, of course, to apply to any person they thought proper to sign it. By proper, he means any respectable person, whether possessed of scrip or not; persons who would be responsible for the payment of the deposit money to the directors. 5806. 5811. 5824. 5831.

It has already been stated, that it was not until the 10th or 11th of February that Mr. James Walker ascertained what the detailed estimate of the Kent Railway amounted to, that amount, including the estimated cost of the purchases, being 3,000,000 *l.* Of this, Mr. Walker, at his office, on the morning of Monday the 13th of February, informed Mr. Colin Smith, who admits that at this time he was aware of the sum to which the subscription amounted (which was rather better than 1,000,000 *l.*), and of the necessity there was of increasing that amount. Returning to the Railway office, Mr. Smith informed his co-secretary, Mr. Green, and Mr. Lancaster, the accountant, of the increase made in the capital, which would require, he remarked, 500,000 *l.* more to be added to the deed. Mr. Lancaster says he was impressed with the peril of the Company, owing to the deficiency of subscriptions, knowing that unless they amounted to a moiety of the estimate, the Company could not go to Parliament this Session. Mr. Green says that he and Mr. Smith felt it necessary to try to procure subscriptions. 3862. 3901. 3906. 2082, 2083. 3880. 3875. 3871. 3872. 2081. 3148. 2084. 2085. 662. 1393 to 1395. 3149. 1393, 1394. 665. 3150. 334. 3342. 666.

Mr. Smith, the same morning, informed Mr. Woodgate, the solicitor, that Mr. Walker's estimate exceeded far more than he had anticipated, though how much he did not state; that he was making up his deed to deposit in Parliament, and should have to get names to the deed; that he wished the subscriptions made up, and Mr. Woodgate and his partner to subscribe for the shares allotted to them. 2916. 2970. 2077. 2970. 2920. 2967. 3085.

Mr. Smith, as soon as he possibly could, after he knew the great amount of capital requisite, began to obtain signatures, stating to those he applied to, the pressure for further subscriptions on account of the increased estimate. The subscriptions of the persons, whose signatures he procured prior to the lodgment of the deed in the Private Bill Office, and who paid no deposits, amount to 66,100 *l.* Besides which he obtained, subsequent to the lodgment of the deed, further subscriptions to the amount of 18,600 *l.*; making a total of 84,700 *l.* 2006. 2280. 2279. 2110.

He doubts, however, whether he could have obtained any of those signatures, but for the impression the parties were under, that afterwards, if they chose to pay their deposits, they might have their shares. 2376, 2377.

For the description of some of the subscribers contained in Mr. Smith's list, Your Committee beg to refer to the Evidence.

Mr. Lancaster also, the accountant of the Company, obtained on the Tuesday (he believes), two signatures to the deed. He met by chance John Peter Houston, who is stated to be a very young man, keeping a small chemist's shop at Brixton, and told him the situation of the Company, and that they wanted signatures to the deed. He came and signed for 2,250 *l.* Mr. Lancaster knows nothing of his pecuniary responsibility or his circumstances. 3152 to 3154. 3174. 3161. 4414. 3164, 3165.

The other subscription he obtained was that of a Mr. Thomas Clarke, solicitor, of 5, Canonbury-row, Islington, for 5,000 *l.* He had to call on Mr. Lancaster, at the Railway-office, on business; the deed was lying there, and Mr. Lancaster said "Will you sign, and you will be entitled to shares, if you please." Mr. Clarke signed for a sum, chosen by himself. 3171. 3166.

Mr. Green was not less active than Mr. Smith in endeavouring without delay, immediately on his hearing of the increase in the estimate, to obtain

1698, 1699. signatures to the deed. He applied to different persons, he says, on account of their respectability.

762. 758. 761. He applied to Richard Ireland, a person connected with some of the Brazilian Mining Companies, and to his son, Richard Ireland, jun., who is one of the cashiers in Masterman's bank, both of whom reside in Canonbury, and were shareholders and paid their deposits in the Gravesend Company, asking them to sign the deed, which they both did for 5,100 *l.*

766. 571.

742. He called on Mr. Effingham Wilson, a bookseller at the Royal Exchange, and asked him to sign, which he did, at the Railway Office, for 10,200 *l.* He moreover requested Mr. Effingham Wilson to allow his son, who is a bookseller and stationer in King William-street, to come and sign, which the son did for 4,500 *l.*

743. 748. 753, 754, 755. 746.

819, 820, 821. He went to Mr. Hathaway, a newsvender, living under the Royal Exchange, an old friend of Mr. Green and a subscriber to the Gravesend Company for 1,800 *l.*, and asked him, as a favour, to sign the deed, which he immediately did for 10,800 *l.*, paying no deposit, and Green fixing the amount.

827. 831.

833. 2247. Mr. Green applied also to Mr. George Price, Secretary to the Salisbury, Exeter, Plymouth and Falmouth Railway Company: "I applied to him," says Mr. Green, "as I did to others; I took to him the deed and stated that I was pressed for subscriptions, and asked him to sign for 25,000 *l.* He was a little startled at first, and said it was a large sum; but he very kindly did it." Mr. Green does not know anything of Mr. Price's pecuniary means.

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847. At the Falmouth Railway Office, along with Price, Mr. Green applied also to Mr. William Andrews, solicitor to the Falmouth Railway Company, saying that he wanted some more names to the deed. Mr. Andrews signed for 12,500 *l.*, the sum being left to his pleasure.

The Committee have issued repeated summonses for the attendance of Mr. Price and Mr. Andrews as witnesses, but they have not appeared to the summons.

695. Mr. Green took the deed to Mr. James John Brown, stationer, at 17, Old Broad-street, of the firm of Brown & Syrett, printers to the Company. He named to Mr. Brown the sum for which he should sign, which was for 10,250 *l.*

951. Mr. Green procured also, though he did not witness, the signature of Samuel Collingwood, of Greenwich, surveyor, for 500 *l.*

The preceding signatures were obtained by Mr. Green in the course, it is believed, of Monday the 13th of February.

The following signatures were procured by Mr. Green on the evening of the 13th, it should seem, or on the morning of the 14th, from members of his own family, he fixing the sums for which they all signed:—

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758.	Eliza Willans, his mother-in-law, signed for - - -	£. 4,500
769.	Virginia Green, his daughter - - - - - -	4,000
571.	Julia Green, his daughter - - - - - -	5,250
	James Kennaby, his son-in-law - - - - -	5,000
	Jane Green, his daughter - - - - - -	5,250

773. 778. The last signature, that of Jane Green, presents this peculiarity, that the name of the person who signed is not Green, but Kennaby, she being the wife of James Kennaby, the son-in-law of Mr. Green, who requested her to sign in her maiden name.

507 to 513. 991, 992. On the 14th Green applied to Mr. James Wettenhall, stockbroker, in Copthall-court, and stating that he wanted some names, asked Mr. Wettenhall to

sign

sign the deed, which Mr. Wettenhall did for 10,250 *l.*; Mr. Green indicating the sum to be signed for. 514 to 520.

Green then went to the bank of Messrs. Spooner & Attwood, where he saw Mr. Twells, a partner in that bank, and one of the directors of the Kent Railway Company, to whom he mentioned the difficulty there was about the deed, and asked Mr. Twells whether he had any objection to certain clerks in that bank (meaning James Parke and John Davies) signing the deed. Mr. Twells answered that he did not much like the thing; but having requested them to come in, and informed them that Mr. Green wished to have their signatures to the deed, and that they had better hear Mr. Green's own statement, he told them, after Mr. Green had explained his wishes, that he must leave them to do as they pleased. They then both signed the deed for 3,550 *l.*, Green having settled the amount, as he believes, for which they signed. 531. 533. 672, 673. 534. 535. 528. 527. 529, 530. 541.

The same day, Mr. Green, because he wanted, as he says, some more names to the deed, took it to Mr. William Henry De Charm, managing clerk in the counting-house of Mr. Philpotts, and saying, that he wanted further names to make up the deed for deposit, desired Mr. De Charm to oblige him by signing it, which Mr. De Charm did, after saying that he did not much like to do it.

Your Committee have now arrived at that occurrence which, in the Petition, No. 1 of the Appendix, is made the principal subject of charge, as affecting the validity of the Subscription Contract of the Kent Railway Company.

On Monday, the 13th, as Mr. Green and Mr. Colin Smith were conversing on the subject of the deficiency of the deed, Mr. Frederick George Hamond happening to enter, and to hear the conversation, engaged, if the next day the deed were brought to his counting-house, to endeavour to procure more signatures to it. Mr. Hamond is a ship and insurance broker, having a counting-house in Mincing-lane, and residing at Caroline-house, Blackheath-road. He is a magistrate for the county of Kent, and chairman of the provincial committee, at Greenwich, of the Kent Railway Company. Henry Rowley is an accountant, who has been employed by Mr. Hamond in obtaining signatures to petitions in favour of the Kent Railway, at the daily pay of from 7 *s.* 6 *d.* to 8 *s.* 6 *d.* The same evening, he was desired by Mr. Hamond to procure some 15 or 20 persons, at about 2 *s.* or 3 *s.* each, to sign the deed; and Rowley, the same day, informed Jacob Nunez Castello, a commission agent in the share and stock market, that some 20 or 30 persons were wanted to sign a deed to come into Parliament. Green took the deed the following day, the 14th, to Mr. Hamond's counting-house, of which circumstance Mr. Colin Smith says he was cognizant, though he gave Green no instructions on the occasion. Bartholomew White, a clerk to Mr. Hamond, was at the counting-house when Rowley came in, and heard something pass between his master and Rowley about the deed. Hamond introduced Rowley to Green, and at Hamond's request, as Mr. Green states, but at Green's request, as Rowley states, Rowley signed the deed, in the presence of both Green and Hamond, for 10,500 *l.*; Green indicating the sum for which Rowley should sign, and attesting Rowley's signature. Hamond acknowledges he knew that Rowley was dependant for his daily bread on what he earned by his daily labour. 960. 963. 1191. 2467 to 2470. 2472 to 2478. 2519, 2520. 3553 to 3555. 2476. 2478. 2485. 2625. 2627. 2634. 2636, 2637. 2634, 2635. 964. 2285. 2286. 5708, 5709. 3566. 562, 563. 2479 to 2484. 553, 554. 1161. 367. 3594.

Green states that he did not know that Rowley was to be employed in procuring signatures. Hamond states that he introduced Rowley to Green, as a person to procure signatures, and thinks that Green gave Rowley instructions to procure them. Rowley states that Green showed him how he was to get the rest to sign; and desired him, when the rest came to sign, to get them to put 1165. 3561. 3558. 3560. 2499.

1167. put the amount down to their names, according as he considered, in his judgment, the respectability of their residences would bear; though Green denies having so instructed Rowley.

986, 987. 2500. 2489. 998. 2502. After this, at the hour of about 12 o'clock, the deed was taken by Green to the counting-house of Mr. Phillpotts, in Fenchurch-street, to procure the signature of his managing clerk, Mr. De Charm, as has been already stated; and was brought back to Mr. Hamond's office, as Green states, by himself, but as Rowley states by another person, in the course of about half an hour.

1009. 2632. 2636. 2638. 2485. 3626. 3627. 2504. 3629. 3641. 2639. 2504. 3629. 3641. 2706. 2708. 2489. 2631. 2644. 2508. 3646. 2711. 3647. 2728. 2489. 2706. Castello was now introduced by Rowley to Mr. Hamond, who, in Rowley's presence, entered, for a long time, into an argument with Castello about the payment of the men; of whom at length it was agreed that a certain number should be sent up to sign the deed, and that each should have 5 *s.*; and when the Bill passed, Mr. Hamond promised that they should have some shares. Castello himself signed the deed in the counting-house, in the presence of Rowley and of Mr. Hamond, for 10,000 *l.* Castello said that he had no silver, and Mr. Hamond gave him 10 *s.* on account. Castello and Rowley then left the counting-house together, and went upon 'Change. Castello told the parties that if they would go and sign, he was instructed to give them 5 *s.* a-piece, and that when the Bill passed, they should have some shares; which, it is stated, was a further inducement to them to sign. He then sent Rowley back to the counting-house, with four or five other persons, to sign. When Rowley returned, Mr. Hamond had left the counting-house. Castello saw several of the first of the others sign. Rowley told them what to sign for; Castello did not keep the tallies of what they signed for. He then left the office, and was not present when the rest signed; he merely sent the others up, whomsoever he thought fit. Rowley remained in the counting-house, and took their signatures, and was present during the whole of the time that these parties executed.

2489. 2489. 3679. 2644. 2642. 2705. 2644. 2489. 2503. 2491. 2519. 2640. Including Castello and Rowley, 33 parties signed; and the total amount for which they signed was 224,900 *l.* They were not more than from an hour and a half to two hours in obtaining all the signatures.

5389. 5407. 5401. 5403. 5422. John Garth, the master of a ship to which Mr. Hamond acts as broker, was at the counting-house on the 14th, and saw some of the parties come up, and some, not all, sign the deed. Mr. Hamond was not there; it was done openly, without any appearance of secrecy.

5417, 5418. Mark Rothschild is a Bohemian. He travelled the country, four or five years ago, as a singer, and as one of the Bohemian brothers; he is now in the cigar line. He formerly had a cigar shop; but is now reduced in business, and in embarrassed circumstances. He went to the Royal Exchange, when Mr. Castello came forward and said, that if he wished to sign his name for a Railroad, he should get 5 *s.* Out of this sum Rothschild was told he must give Castello 1 *s.*; and he received 4 *s.* at half-past four o'clock the same day.

2723. 2793. The majority of those who executed the deed were little dealers and share-hunters: they are poor men, glad to earn a shilling when they can, and who came up for the sake of the 4 *s.* Castello does not think there is one of the parties who is worth 100 *l.*, after paying his just debts.

2513. 3622. 3615, 3616. 2509. The deed was sent for from the Railway-office, and Rowley accompanied the young man who came for it; and he left it at that office between three and four o'clock that afternoon. Rowley went afterwards to the Royal Exchange, to inform Mr. Hamond what he had done, and to ask him for money. He wanted 6 *l.*, for which Mr. Hamond gave him a draft, and which Rowley handed over to Castello. Rowley saw some of the men paid the following day. There was yet a deficiency in the amount, which was paid by Mr. Hamond

to Rowley the following day, and which he paid over to Castello. The sum received from Mr. Hamond, in all, was 9*l.* 5*s.*, being after the rate of 5*s.* a head, with 1*l.* to Castello for his trouble. Castello gave the men 4*s.*, and divided with Rowley the whole surplus, each receiving from 20*s.* to 25*s.* for his trouble. 3648. 3510. 2639. 2706 to 2714. 2769.

D. E. Stephens was dining by accident at the Auction Mart Coffee-house, when hearing it the common talk of the room, that Castello was going to pay some persons for signing the Kent Railway deed, and many of them being in waiting to receive their money, he was induced to stop and see them paid. He saw 16 or 17 persons receive 4*s.* or 5*s.* apiece from Castello. He informed Mr. Joseph Parkes of the circumstance. 4101. 4099. 4101. 4268. 4010. 4025. 4053. 4058. 4065. 4068. 4104.

After the return of the deed from Mr. Hamond's, Mr. Green noticed the addition of large sums as subscriptions; but he did not cast it up, nor did any person do so in his presence. He did not then know whether he had got subscriptions enough. He delivered the deed to Mr. Smith. He left town immediately after, being ordered off to Chatham. 1093. 1010, 1011. 1015, 1016. 1018.

Mr. Colin Smith knew on Tuesday afternoon that the deed had been to Mr. Hamond's office on the morning of that day. He went with Mr. Hamond westward that afternoon, in order to present some petitions, and was then informed by Mr. Hamond that he had obtained signatures to the amount of about 200,000*l.*, or sufficient to go to Parliament with. It was not till the following morning, of Wednesday the 15th, that he knew the deed had come back from Mr. Hamond's.

Mr. Smith heard on the Thursday from Mr. Hamond that money had been paid to the parties for signing the deed, and expressed his strong regret when he heard of it. 2310, 2311, 2312. 2323.

The Committee proceed to notice other circumstances belonging to the signature of some names to the deed which have come out in evidence during this inquiry.

The said Frederick George Hamond wrote the name and subscription of his daughter, Amelia Hamond, of Hawley-square, Margate, spinster, 11,050*l.*; and Robert Lancaster, the Company's accountant, saw Mr. Hamond do so, and, as attesting witness, put his initials to the signature. 3231, 3232.

John Herapath, of Kensington, editor and proprietor of the Railway Magazine, went to the Kent Railway Office, just at the time the deed was about to be lodged; Mr. Hamond above mentioned, and, he thinks, Mr. Green, Mr. Colin Smith and Mr. Lancaster were present. He thinks that Mr. Hamond and Mr. Green asked him to sign the deed. Some one in the office who asked him to sign, observed, that they would take his signature to the deed for 10,000*l.* He then signed the name of Spenser Herapath, of Kensington, gent., who is his son and a minor, as a subscriber for 5,000*l.*, and of his daughter, Maria Herapath, of Kensington, spinster, who is also a minor, as a subscriber for 5,250*l.* Mr. Lancaster saw this done, and put his initials to the signatures. 5003. 4992. 4993, 4994. 4997. 4998. 5001. 4985, 4986. 5016, 5017. 4985, 4986. 4988. 5061. 5064.

The same John Herapath, in May or June last, signed the name of his son, Captain Alfred Herapath, of Bristol, then a minor, but now of age (at his son's request, as John Herapath states,) as a subscriber for 5,250*l.* 5008. 5022.

Your Committee proceed to notice the signature to the deed of several parties who sign as though they were the principals interested in the shares they sign for, but who, in point of fact, have not any such interest, and have signed at the request of other persons, who are the parties really interested in the shares so subscribed for.

Robert Wilson, a salaried clerk in the bank of Messrs. Spooner & Attwood, has 5899.

has exchanged scrip, at the request of that firm, and signed for 11,000*l.*; he, the subscriber, not having any interest in the shares so subscribed.

Mr. George Walter, a director of the Company and managing director of the Greenwich Railway Company, has signed the Subscription Contract as a subscriber for 33,000*l.* A part of that subscription, to the extent of 25,000*l.*, is the equivalent for 1,000 exchanged Gravesend or Dover scrip certificates, which belong not to Mr. Walter, but which he has exchanged and signed for on account of Matthias Attwood, Esq. a Member of the House. Another part of the said subscription of 33,000*l.* is on account of a Mr. Stevenson, to the amount of 6,250*l.*

2828 to 2831. 2923 to 2939. 3063. 3435. 1254, 1255. F. Brome is not the party interested in a subscription under that name for 35,250*l.*, the same being in exchange for 1,410 Gravesend or Dover shares; but the party really interested in that subscription is Mr. Woodgate, one of the solicitors to the Company.

2844. 3791. 3799. 2185. 2199. 2218. 2222. William Austin, formerly a clerk in the office of Messrs. Woodgate & Currie, solicitors to the Kent Railway Company, but now a law stationer, who has signed for 25,000*l.*, is not interested in that subscription; but the party who is really so is the said Mr. Woodgate. On this subscription no deposit has been paid.

2844. 3815, 3816. Thomas Samuel Neville, now a clerk in the office of Messrs. Currie & Woodgate, who has signed for 25,000*l.*, is not interested in that subscription; but the party who is really so, is Mr. Currie, partner of the said Mr. Woodgate. On this subscription no deposit has been paid.

2821. Edmund Charles Holland, who is articled clerk to Mr. Currie, the partner of Mr. Woodgate, has signed the deed as a subscriber for 12,000*l.*, by Mr. Woodgate's advice, on the condition that, if at a premium, the shares are to be sold, and that for the mutual profit of Mr. Holland and Mr. Woodgate. Mr. Holland is a minor, but Mr Woodgate states that, at the time, he was not aware of that circumstance.

2802, 2803. 3002. 2868. 2870.

Mr. Inall, a clerk in the office of Messrs. Currie & Woodgate, has signed the deed as a subscriber for 10,000*l.*, in which subscription he has no interest; but the party really interested is Mr. Bell, a stockbroker, in Cumberland-street, on whose behalf Mr. Inall exchanged shares.

2990, 2991.

With regard to the acts of the board of directors, or of the chairman, or any other member of that board, or of either of the solicitors to the board, during the progress of these proceedings, from the 4th of February to the time of the lodgment of the Bill in the Private Bill Office, the conduct of Mr. Walter, one of the directors, has been already adverted to, who admits that he induced three or four persons to sign the deed; that if he had met 20 people he considered proper to sign it, as a matter of course, he would have asked them to do so; and that he told the secretaries, of course, to apply to any persons they thought proper to sign it.

It further appears that, on Tuesday the 14th of February, between the hours of one and two o'clock, at the Railway Office in Cornhill, there was a meeting of the board of directors. There were present at this meeting,

1031. 1046.

Directors - - Mr. Phillpotts, in the chair; Lieut. Brothers, Captain Page, Mr. Ronald, Colonel Skerrett, Mr. Short, Captain Stock, Mr. Twells, Mr. Yates.

Secretaries - - Mr. Colin Smith, who took the minutes of the board.

- - Mr. Green, who says that he was in the board-room all the time (1026); and also that he was in and out of the room (1065).

Solicitors

Solicitors - - - Mr. Vallance, in attendance.
- - - Mr. Woodgate, who arrived shortly before the rising of the board.

The same morning, about ten o'clock, Mr. John Smith had informed the chairman of the board, Mr. Phillpotts, as he afterwards, at the meeting of that day, informed the board itself, that Mr. Walker's estimate amounted to three millions; but on that day neither the chairman, nor, as he states, the board, had any knowledge what the amount of subscriptions recorded in the deed then was, nor did any one examine the deed itself, or make inquiry of the secretaries, or take any trouble to ascertain that amount: that was referred to the secretaries and solicitors. Mr. Smith, however, informed Mr. Philpotts in the morning, and afterwards the same day at the meeting of the board, that in consequence of the addition made by Mr. Walker to the estimate, it would be necessary to obtain further subscriptions to make up the moiety of the estimated cost; and that there would be some difficulty in getting the required capital subscribed. The directors present at the board also were that day cognizant of the further quantity of subscription necessary to make up the amount required by the Standing Orders. The directors knew that the deed must be lodged before the ensuing Friday: they took, therefore, two steps, respecting their own subscriptions, to increase the amount subscribed appended to the deed:

1007, 1008. 5188. 5193. 5188. 5315. 5198. 5200. 5199. 5198. 2102. 2145. 2102. 2145. 2098. 2158. 4512. 5193. 5205. 5321. 5205. 5207.

1st. By passing a resolution "that the secretary be instructed to wait upon such members of the board as have not yet executed the Parliamentary deed; and that those who decline the same be considered as having withdrawn from the direction."

1027. 1047.

2d. As regarded the chairman himself, and five other members of the board then present, by agreeing, on the suggestion of Mr. Colin Smith, (that suggestion being immediately acceded to by the chairman,) to raise their own several subscriptions from 10,000 *l.* to 20,000 *l.* This they did, by altering from 10 to 20 the figures in the deed opposite their names, though without re-delivery, and without any new attestation. The directors who did so, were the chairman, Mr. Phillpotts, Lieut. Brothers, Mr. Ronald, Mr. Short, Mr. Twells and Mr. Yates. Three directors present, Capt. Page, Col. Skerrett and Capt. Stock, were personally requested by Mr. Green to increase their subscriptions, but declined to do so. Mr. Borradaile, a director not present at the board, who had signed for 10,000 *l.*, was requested by Mr. Green to double his subscription, but declined to do so.

1030 to 1061. 2145. 2149. 2383 to 2386. 2451. 3297 to 3310. 4640 to 4651. 5193.

One director, Mr. George Walter, who was not present at the board, consented likewise in the course of the same day to double his subscription; and, by this step on the part of the directors, 70,000 *l.* of what are stated to have been *bonâ fide* subscriptions, were added in one day to the deed. Neither the chairman, nor any director suggested at that meeting the names of any other parties whose signatures the secretary might obtain, if they were wanted; but the list was returned to the secretaries, with instructions to them, to obtain the signatures requisite; it being understood at the time, that it would be got ready for the House of Commons two days before it was required to be lodged: that is, by Feb. 16th.

2103. 2181. 2387. 5207. 5143 5176. 5201, 5202.

On this day a gentleman, not then a subscriber or holder of shares in the Company, Mr. Lamie Murray, whom it was intended to elect, and who the following week was elected a director, happening to call at the Company's office, it was proposed to him, in order that he might qualify himself for the direction, that he should then sign the deed; and understanding from Mr. Ronald one of the directors then present, that most of the directors had signed for 20,000 *l.*,

1212, 1213. 3940. 3953. 3948, 3949. 3956. 3964.

20,000 *l.*, and in reply to a question whether the subscription was perfectly
3952. right, being informed that it was so, and being told by Mr. Ronald that
3967. the Standing Orders had been complied with, he signed the deed for that
3937-8. amount, and under the impression that a great deal more had been
3942. signed for than was barely sufficient for the Standing Orders. Had he been
3969. aware that 10,000 *l.* from him was required to make up the list, or that a con-
3975. siderable proportion of that list did not represent respectable and responsible persons, he would not have signed for that or any other sum.

Your Committee now propose to offer a few observations on the case submitted to them.

The Standing Orders of The House require the promoters of every Railway Bill to deposit in the Private Bill Office a plan of the work and an estimate of its expense, and also a subscription to the amount of one-half at least of that estimate, to be entered into by persons under contract, binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, for the payment of the money so subscribed; and it was manifestly the intention of The House, in passing those Standing Orders, to endeavour to provide that parties claiming of the Legislature extensive powers to enable them to carry into execution public works of great magnitude, should, before being entrusted with such powers, prove themselves to have given attentive consideration to those two points which it is essential, as well for every public body as for every private individual, engaging in any enterprise with any well-founded anticipation of success, to have previously well weighed and considered: 1st, The cost of the proposed work; and, 2d, Whether by any means, and, if so, by what means, a capital equal to that cost can be obtained.

It appears to Your Committee, that until the delivering to the directors of Mr. Walker's estimate, they had no data whatever before them for forming any
5122. 5307. well-grounded opinion what the cost of the proposed Railway would be. The Chairman says, indeed, that they believed that two millions would be amply sufficient; but this estimate was founded on the estimates by Colonel Landmann, the engineer to the Gravesend and Dover Companies, who, on the consolidation into one of those two Companies, and on their opposing in Committee the South-Eastern Railway Bill, declined to appear before that Committee in support of his own plan and estimate. On these very plans and estimates the Committee on that Bill reported, that the Engineering Evidence on the Line of the Kent Railway did not establish a case in detail before the Committee. Further, from the first appointment of Mr. Walker to survey the Line, until the final completion of his detailed estimate, it appears that he studiously avoided committing himself to any off-hand or guess estimate of the cost, so that until the 14th of February, when, for the first time they were made acquainted with the result of Mr. Walker's labours, the directors clearly were not in a position to form any judgment whatever what the cost of the projected work would really be.

As regards the provision of an adequate capital for carrying on the enterprize, all the measures which, up to that period, the directors had taken to that end, were founded on the presumption that the estimate would not exceed 2,000,000 *l.*

When, therefore, on the 14th of February, three days only before the day appointed for lodgment of the deed, the directors then present, or those absent who were otherwise informed of what had happened, were made acquainted with the fact, that Mr. Walker's estimate amounted to 3,000,000 *l.*, knowing, as they must have done (whether aware or not of the exact amount of subscriptions

tions then existing), that an addition of 50 per cent. to the estimate would necessarily require an addition of 50 per cent. to the capital, that is to say, of 500,000 *l.*, they must have seen the difficulty of providing, to that large amount, and on that short notice, additional *bonâ fide* subscribers to complete the deed.

This to them unexpected occurrence of an increase in the estimate of 50 per cent., and consequently of a corresponding increase in the requisite amount of capital, came upon the directors at a period when the greatest distress prevailed in the money-market; and, at the close of a period of eight months, during which original shares in the Kent Railway were so little in demand, that out of upwards of 15,000 such shares which were allotted in the month of June, only 1,444 had been taken up, by payment of the deposit, by the middle of the ensuing February. 4667.

Seeing therefore the almost insuperable difficulty, under such adverse circumstances, on such short notice, and to so large an amount, of making up the deficiency by the required day, it was the duty of the directors to have deferred proceeding with their Bill during the pending Session. But, according to the statement of the chairman of the Company, because such a determination would have allowed the South-Eastern Railway Company, which obtained its Bill last Session, to walk over the course, the directors did not take into consideration the expediency and propriety of discontinuing for this Session their application for a Bill. 5309. 5308.

The chairman, indeed, has contended that the then existing capital of the Company, arising out of the exchanges of the Gravesend and Dover shares, (which, according to his own estimate of 36,000 such shares, would yield a capital of only 900,000 *l.*,) would have made a very good capital for the Company to proceed with. How to raise the rest of the capital, he says, was never the subject of the directors' thoughts; they thought it best to get their Act first. But to this view of the case, it seems to Your Committee that the proper answer is, that such a capital for the undertaking as, compared with the estimated cost, the chairman deemed sufficient, Parliament, by its Standing Orders, has adjudged to be insufficient; and no body of men are justified, from their own view of what is expedient, to run counter to those Standing Orders. 5125. 5156. 5159, 5160. 5163.

The subscription list on the 14th of February being, therefore, clearly insufficient in amount, Your Committee proceed to observe, as regards the degree of credit due to that list, as it then stood, that owing to the way in which it was formed, it is distinguished from most other Railway subscription lists by a peculiarity which requires to be considered. When due care is taken in forming Companies, not arising as the Kent Railway Company arose, from the consolidation of previous nascent Companies, but from a union of original shareholders, the list of persons to whom shares are allotted, is the result, as the witness, Mr. Lamie Murray, states, of a cautious selection from among the mass of applicants; and those subscribers to whom in the first instance, by reason of their character and responsibility, the allotment is made, form, as was the case in the Gravesend Company, the subscription list. In those cases, owing to the selection which takes place, it is known, to some extent, who the subscribers are; but in the case of the Kent Railway, those who signed the deed were the persons who happened at the time to be holders of Gravesend or Dover shares, which (to use the words of the chairman of the Company) had been bought and sold 50 times over: it was to no purpose, therefore, for the directors to inquire, had it been practicable for them to do so, (and accordingly they did not inquire) who those holders were; since by the rules of the 3970. 1148. 1150. 1360. 1379. 1381. 1707. 2913. 2917.

directors' own framing, for constituting the new Company out of old materials, all the holders of the scrip certificates issued by the two preceding companies were entitled, indiscriminately, on surrendering those certificates, to claim admission into the new Company, and to sign the deed. With whatever care, therefore, on the first formation of the New Gravesend Company, a selection of subscribers was made, the shares of that Company had subsequently so often changed hands, that whatever credit was due to the original holders of those shares, is not necessarily to be predicated of those parties who now represent, on the Kent Railway Subscription Contract, the original holders of those Gravesend shares. To these observations it may be added, that the subscription list of the Dover Railway Company having been formed originally, not on the principle of selection, but on that of distribution *pro ratâ* to all applicants, was faulty from the very first; and therefore that portion of the Kent Railway subscription list which is derived from the Dover shares, cannot be considered as entitled to any great degree of confidence.

Whatever might be the difficulties of increasing to the requisite amount the subscription list, the directors did not hesitate to proceed with their Bill. Those directors who were present at the meeting of the 14th, and also Mr. Walter, who was not present thereat, when afterwards they found that in the short space of three days the large deficiency that existed had been made up, could not but be aware that some extraordinary means, though they might not know what means, had been had recourse to in order to complete the deed.

5321. Mr. Phillpotts, indeed, admits that he afterwards knew there must have been an increase in the subscriptions, since at the Board it was said that an increase was necessary; but how that increase was obtained, he had never any knowledge whatever.

The opinions entertained by the chairman, Mr. Phillpotts, of what ought to be the character of the signatures to such deeds, and the lax instructions given by Mr. Walter to the secretaries, and already mentioned, stand in contrast with the 3974. views entertained by Mr. Lamie Murray of the duty incumbent on all parties engaged in Companies, to stand before the public in the most respectable manner. The chairman states, that he never had anything to do with getting 5177. up a deed for the House of Commons but this; that he did not know that these deeds ought to be signed by men of honour and responsibility; and, in 5182. 5223. 5227. 5321. answer to a leading question, that, in his opinion, if the Kent Railway deed had been signed by a regiment of horse-guards, it would have been as good as any other.

Considering what were the views of the chairman on the subject of these signatures, considering also what were the instructions given by Mr. Walter to the secretaries in respect of procuring signatures, and that after the difficulty of obtaining signatures had been stated by Mr. Colin Smith to the chairman, the chairman left the secretaries, in making up the deficiency, to act according to their discretion, it is not very surprising that Mr. Green, Mr. Lancaster and other parties, in their endeavours to attain the end desired by their employers, were not very scrupulous about the means they employed, and were guilty of great irregularities.

The chairman and the eight other directors of the board present on the 14th of February, and Mr. Walter, who was cognizant of the actual state of the affairs of the Company, appear to Your Committee to have acted in an unjustifiable manner, in endeavouring to proceed with their Bill after they had been informed by Mr. Colin Smith, three days before the lodgment of the deed

deed, of the addition made by Mr. Walker of 50 per cent. to the estimate, and of the existence in the subscriptions of a considerable deficiency. Such conduct, it appears to Your Committee, if it did not actually occasion, yet was calculated to occasion, those irregularities in the signing of the deed, which either had already taken, or were then taking place.

To what extent William Green, one of the secretaries of the Kent Railway Company, was a full participator in the transactions which took place at Mr. Hamond's office, Your Committee leave to the judgment of The House. It is in evidence, on the admission of the said William Green, that he did, on or about the 13th of February last, request his daughter, Jane Kennaby, wife of James Kennaby, to sign in her maiden name of Green, instead of her real name of Kennaby, the Kent Railway deed, as a subscriber for 5,250 *l.*; in accordance with which request the said Jane Kennaby did sign by the name of Jane Green.

It is in evidence, on the admission of John Herapath, of Kensington, that the said John Herapath did, at the office of the Kent Railway Company, in Cornhill, sign the name of his son Spenser Herapath, a minor, as a subscriber to the Railway deed for the sum of 5,000 *l.*; and also the name of his daughter, Maria Herapath, a minor, as a subscriber to the Kent Railway deed for the sum of 5,250 *l.*; and, further, it appears in evidence, on the admission of Joseph Lancaster, accountant to the said Railway Company, that the said Joseph Lancaster saw the said John Herapath sign as aforesaid, and did place his initials opposite to such two signatures, as attesting witness. 3215.

It is in evidence, that William Fookes, son of Mr. Fookes, solicitor and clerk of the Court of Requests at Dartford, in the county of Kent, and solicitor to the Kent Railway Company at Dartford, did sign the name of John Webb, serjeant or calling clerk to the said Court of Requests, as a subscriber to the said Railway Deed for the sum of 3,250 *l.*, but that he did so at the request of the said John Webb, though without stating on the deed itself that it was he, and not John Webb, who signed; and further, it is in evidence that the aforesaid William Green put his initials as attesting witness, by mistake, as he says, against the said signature, but without seeing it signed.

It is in evidence, that Frederick George Hamond, esq., of Caroline House, Blackheath-road, one of the magistrates for the county of Kent, and chairman of the provincial committee at Greenwich of the Kent Railway Company, did sign the name of his daughter, Amelia Hamond, as a subscriber to the said Railway Deed for the sum of 11,050 *l.*; and further, it appears in evidence, on the admission of the said Joseph Lancaster, that the said Joseph Lancaster saw the said Frederick George Hamond sign as aforesaid, and did place his initials opposite to such signature, as attesting witness. 3231.

It is in evidence that the above-mentioned Frederick George Hamond, esq., did, either by himself or his agents, induce divers needy and necessitous persons, being 33 in number, many of them engaged in petty gambling transactions, by the payment to each of them of a small sum of money, to sign, at the counting-house of the said Frederick George Hamond, in Mincing-lane, in the city of London, their names as subscribers to the Kent Railway Deed for large sums of money severally, amounting *in toto* to 234,900 *l.*

Your Committee have now pointed out the cases of graver aspect which have come under their notice during this inquiry. The cases of Hamond, Green, Lancaster, Herapath and William Fookes, jun., possessing certainly very different shades of misconduct, yet all appear to be in violation, if not of the letter, yet of the spirit of the Standing Orders, which require, that "before any

Petition is presented to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, a subscription to the amount of one half at least of the estimated expense shall be entered into by persons under a contract binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, for the payment of the money so subscribed;" and also, "that an estimate of the proposed expense of such undertaking, signed by the person or persons making the same, together with an account of the money subscribed for that purpose, and the names of the subscribers, with the sums by them subscribed respectively, be lodged in the Private Bill Office," &c.

Any party or witness to such a subscription, knowing the same, at the time of its being signed, to be not a *bonâ fide* subscription, or any party inducing another to sign such a subscription *malâ fide*, would seem to be infringing the spirit of the Standing Orders, the intent of which is to secure, not a colourable, but a real list of subscribers.

In whatever degree it may appear to The House that their Standing Orders have been violated by the persons above mentioned, Your Committee beg to represent, that they have not pointed them out to notice from any desire that The House should punish their offences. Conceiving that the object of The House, in directing this inquiry, was to inform themselves of the present practical working of their own Standing Orders, with a view rather to the prevention in future of such abuses as are here disclosed, than for the punishment of the parties concerned, however culpably, in these abuses, Your Committee, in order to make this investigation more full and complete, did not refrain from examining the principal actors in these proceedings; and this, Your Committee submits, is a reason for The House to deal leniently with them.

As a matter of more importance than the particular misconduct of the individuals noticed in this Report, Your Committee beg to call the attention of The House to the small degree of security, that, where the deposit per share has been small, the signing of the Parliamentary Subscription Contract affords to the public, that in case of the shares falling in price after the passing of the Act, the capital will be paid up. The Contract usually binds the subscribers, their heirs, executors and administrators, to pay or cause to be paid, the amount subscribed by each of them respectively, within years from the date of the contract, in such sums, and to such person or persons, and at such places and times as by the Act or Acts to be passed shall be directed and appointed. The Railway Acts usually contain clauses for enforcing the payment of calls against the registered holders of the several shares, for the time being, whether such holders may be original subscribers or the transferrers of shares alienated from such subscribers. After the passing of the Act containing such clauses, a subscriber to the Parliamentary Contract, who does not choose to register his shares, cannot be compelled to pay; nor can he, indeed, if he has registered, but has transferred his share to another party.

With a view to prevent attempts to deceive the Legislature by colourable lists of subscribers, it appears to Your Committee expedient that, before any Petition is presented to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, a list of the subscribers, with the sums by them subscribed respectively, giving their christian and surnames, their places of abode, with a description of their quality or calling, stating, if in a town, the parish, street and number of their dwellings, be lodged in the Private Bill Office before the first day of the Session of Parliament, and that that list be printed at the expense of the parties lodging the same, and be delivered to the Members of The House on the first day of the Session of Parliament.

It appears also to deserve consideration, whether, as well with a view to prevent imposing on the Legislature colourable lists of subscribers, as to give security to the public for the future paying up of the capital, it might not be expedient to require, that, before any Petition is presented to The House for a Bill for making any Railway, a certain per centage of the capital should have been paid up.

24 *April* 1837.

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Lunæ, 6° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Warburton.
Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Forster.
Mr. Eardley Wilmot.
Mr. Daniel Gaskell.
Mr. Dugdale.
Mr. G. Evans.
Mr. Thornley.
Mr. Brotherton.
Mr. Young.
Mr. Aaron Chapman.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

THE PETITION of certain Owners and Occupiers of land on the Line of the Dover and Kent Railway was read.

The Petition of certain Persons who had signed the Parliamentary Deed and Contract for the Kent Railway Company was read.

The Petition of certain Directors of the Kent Railway was read.

The Petition of Frederick George Hamond, of Greenwich, was read.

Mr. *Parkes* attended for the original Petitioners.

Mr. *Thesiger* and Mr. *Rotch* attended on behalf of the Shareholders of the Company.

Mr. *Hill* attended on behalf of Mr. Hamond.

The Witnesses who had been summoned were directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Parkes* stated that there was one witness of the name of Daniel Edward Stephens not summoned, but who would be a witness to be examined hereafter; and, if it met the wishes of the Committee, he would rather he stayed in the room, as his presence was material to him in conducting his case.

The Committee-room was cleared.

After some time the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed that the Committee were of opinion that, if Mr. Stephens were wished to be present, he should be examined first.

Mr. *Parkes* requested Mr. Stephens to withdraw.

Mr. *William Green*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *William Green*.

6 March 1837.

1. WHAT is your profession?—I am not in a profession.
2. What is your place of abode?—No. 2, Paragon-place, in the Kent-road.
3. Are you one of the two present secretaries to the Kent Railway Company?—I am.
4. How long have you been so?—Since last April.
5. Were you previously secretary to any other company?—The London and Gravesend Railway Company.
6. And to any previous to that?—No.
7. Had you any connection with the London and Dover Railway Company?—No.
8. Was that a company preceding the London and Gravesend, or subsequently formed?—Subsequently formed.
9. You were secretary to the original company consolidated now into the Kent Railway Company?—Yes, I was.

 10. Who

Mr. William Green.

6 March 1837.

10. Who became secretary to the London and Dover?—Mr. Colin Smith.

11. Is he your co-secretary in the last-formed company?—Yes, he is.

12. The same gentleman?—Yes.

13. Who was the banker of the London and Gravesend Company?—Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Company.

14. Who were previously the bankers?—No other.

15. You have published other bankers, at one time Messrs. Ladbroke's?—That was the original London and Gravesend.

16. Did the London and Gravesend Company, in point of fact, originate in 1834?—It did.

17. In what period of 1834?—I am hardly able to tell you.

18. Were you in time for the application to Parliament?—We gave notice to go to Parliament.

19. That notice must have been given in 1833; were you connected with it in 1833?—No, I believe it was all in 1834.

20. Do you mean that you gave notice in the autumn of 1834 to go to Parliament in 1835?—No; it must have been in the autumn of 1833 that notice was given to go to Parliament.

21. Is that your first prospectus from that company? [*handing a paper to the Witness.*]—Yes.

22. *Committee.*] What is the date of it?—Mr. *Parkes.*] November 1834.

[*The paper was delivered in, as follows:*]

London and Gravesend Railway Company, being a continuation of the London and Greenwich Viaduct (to be incorporated by Act of Parliament). Capital 600,000*l.*, in 30,000 shares of 20*l.* each; deposit 10*s.* per share.

Provisional Committee:—William Borradaile, esq.; James Campbell, jun., esq.; Thomas Hammond, esq.; John Francis Maubert, esq.; John Moxon, esq.; Robert Page, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; John Alexander T. Smyth, esq.; Frederick Scheer, esq.; Robert Sutton, jun., esq.; Newman Smith, esq.; (with power to add to their number).

Bankers:—Messrs. Ladbroke, Kingscote & Gillman.

Engineer:—George Landmann, esq.

Surveyor and Architect:—George Smyth, esq.

Solicitor:—James Vallance, esq.

Secretary:—William Green, esq.

The London and Greenwich Railway having received the sanction of Parliament, and a considerable portion of the works being already performed, and now fast advancing towards completion within the estimates originally made, it has occurred to many persons who are friendly to that undertaking, as well as to the general formation of railways, that an extension of that mode of communication from Greenwich to Gravesend would not only prove an advantageous investment for capital, but in a commercial and political point of view of the greatest public benefit. A meeting has therefore taken place under the auspices of the gentlemen whose names are enumerated above, for the purpose of carrying the proposed measure into immediate operation, who have entered into a subscription with other gentlemen for the purpose of defraying the expenses of a survey and application to Parliament.

The advantages of a railway communication to all persons engaged in business who resort to Gravesend, and particularly those connected with the arrival and departure of the foreign mails, numerous Indiamen, and other vessels, which are frequently and necessarily detained there, as well as to all persons travelling to every town on the Canterbury and Dover road, and the coast of Kent, must in this case be peculiarly striking, more especially as the time will thereby be reduced from an average of two hours and a half to one hour.

An arrangement, satisfactory to both parties, has been effected between the gentlemen concerned in this undertaking and the Greenwich Railway Company, for the passage of their engines and carriages along the Greenwich Viaduct.

The ascertained number of passengers going by the steam-boats to and from London and Gravesend alone, during the last year, exceeded 750,000.

The following is an estimate of returns derived from the present traffic on the line of the road, founded upon railway charges:—

	£.	s.	d.
Stage-coach passengers	25,884	–	–
Parcels by coaches and vans	5,237	–	–
Posting and travelling by private carriages	9,325	–	–
Goods by common carriers	2,234	–	–
Goods by private carts, not common carriers	5,780	–	–
Fish, now actually forwarded by land carriage	265	–	–
Steam-boat passengers, 1-10th of the number now travelling between London and Gravesend	11,250	–	–
	59,975	–	–
Deduct annual expense of locomotive power, repairs, taxes, rates, salaries, and management	25,000	–	–
Net annual income £.	34,975	–	–

Nothing

Nothing is assumed in this estimate for any indirect traffic on the Maidstone or Ashford and Folkestone roads, (although the committee believe that they might calculate upon a considerable revenue from that source,) nor for any increase of traffic resulting from this improved mode of conveyance. In the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, and other similar undertakings, an increase in the item of passengers alone has been proved to have taken place to an extent varying from 75 to 300 per cent.

To accomplish this object, it is proposed that a capital of 600,000 *l.* shall be raised in 30,000 shares of 20 *l.* each, and that a deposit of 10 *s.* per share shall be paid on subscribing, which shall be held applicable to defray all the incidental expenses incurred in preparing for and obtaining an Act of Parliament, &c.

The subscribers not to be answerable beyond the amount of their actual deposits should the Act not be obtained; and if obtained, not beyond the amount of their respective subscriptions.

Applications for shares to be made to the solicitor, at No. 6, Earl-street, Blackfriars; at the banker's; and at the office, No. 17, Cornhill.

November 1834.

REPORT.

The committee having maturely considered the subject of revenue, to which their attention has been directed, feel themselves justified in reporting the following as the result of their inquiries: viz.

	£.
Amount of income to be derived from passengers, per stage-coaches, posting, &c., proportion of passengers that now travel by steam, parcels, goods, produce, and merchandize, as now existing on the line of road - - - - - -	60,000
Add for assumed increase of traffic upon the completion of the road - -	60,000
Gross income - - £.	120,000
Deduct for expense of locomotive power, repairs, rates, taxes, salaries and management - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	30,000
Leaving a net annual income of - - - £.	90,000

being at the rate of 12 per cent. on the capital of 600,000 *l.* They have founded their calculations upon the reports given on the Liverpool and Manchester, Stockton and Darlington, and other railways, wherein an increase in the item of passengers alone has been proved to have taken place to an extent varying from 75 *l.* to 300 *l.* per cent., and which the following extract of evidence given before Parliamentary Committees still further corroborates:—

"The number of passengers between Manchester and Liverpool, in the six months ending in December 1833, was 235,071 booked; to which, if we add 5,000 for the passengers taken up on the road, and not booked, we shall have a total of about 220,000; if we divide this by the number of days in the half year, we shall find that the average daily, including Sundays, was 1,209. It appears, therefore, that the number of passengers has been tripled since the establishment of the railroad; in other words, that 800 persons daily, who have occasion to pass between the two places, but who were before prevented from doing so, either by reason of the time or expense of the turnpike road, are now enabled to perform the journey."

In inviting the attention of the public and the friends of the undertaking to this statement, the committee cannot help repeating their confident belief that the income will be fully realized.

A lithographic plan and section of the intended line may be obtained, on application to the secretary, at the company's office, No. 17, Cornhill, where also applications for shares in the undertaking will be received.

23. Is this the prospectus from the original London and Gravesend?—Yes.

24. There were at that period 11 provisional directors?—Yes.

25. Were you the secretary from the first formation of that original company?—I was.

26. Can you inform the Committee who were the parties originating the company?—I believe as far as my memory allows me to say, it occurred at the Greenwich Railway Office.

27. Had you any connection with the Greenwich Railway Office?—None whatever.

28. How do you know it originated there?—It arose from a private conversation, accidentally.

29. Between what gentlemen?—I am sure I cannot tell you now, it is so long ago.

30. Cannot you inform the Committee the names of one or two gentlemen present?—I rather think, as far as my memory serves me, it was a proposition of my own.

31. I think you stated you had no connection with other railways, previously to your taking the situation of secretary?—I must correct that. I was connected with the London, Dover and Folkestone Railway Company.

32. Had you been connected with any other company previous to that?—No.

Mr. *William Green.*

6 March 1837.

33. You retired from the secretaryship of the London and Dover Company. You mean the South Eastern Line?—What is now called the South Eastern Line.

34. After that conversation which you state you think originated with yourself, what subsequent proceedings took place as to the formation of the company?—I consulted with some of the gentlemen who were connected with the Greenwich Railway Company, and they consented, if I could find other gentlemen to join them, to form the direction.

35. Point out to the Committee on this printed list of the provisional committee of the London and Gravesend Railway Company, the names of any gentlemen then connected with the Greenwich Railway?—There are not any here connected with the Greenwich. Yes; I rather believe John Alexander Smyth.

36. What is Mr. Smyth?—A wine-merchant in Mark-lane; a very wealthy gentleman.

37. Now endeavour to recollect and state to the Committee the names of the provisional committee, as they were successively added to the direction?—I am sure I can hardly; I cannot explain it in the way you put it. I myself spoke to Mr. William Borradaile and Mr. Perkins, and other gentlemen were introduced in the course of my inquiries, but I cannot tell you now by whom or how. Being personally known to each other, they were asked whether they would join the direction; that is the only explanation I can now give.

38. How many weeks or months were you in getting up the direction?—Some few weeks it was at least: it could not be done quickly; the gentlemen wished to consider.

39. What was the first place of meeting of the committee?—I have the minute book here; I cannot trust to my memory.

40. *Committee.*] You may refer to the minute book.—[*The Witness referred to the minute book.*]

41. What is that minute book?—It is the original minute book of the London and Gravesend Company.

42. Mr. *Parkes.*] Turn to it, and inform the Committee the time and place of the first meeting when you first began to keep minutes?—London, Tuesday, 28th October 1834.

43. What gentlemen at that time constituted any provisional direction?—Mr. John Moxon, John Francis Maubert, William Pitcher, Frederick Scheer, George Walter, George Smith, George Landmann, James Vallance, William Green.

44. William Green is yourself?—Yes, it is.

45. George Landmann is Colonel Landmann, the engineer?—Yes.

46. And James Vallance the present solicitor?—Yes.

47. Were you the first party who communicated to any professional gentleman to act as solicitor?—I do not know that I was.

48. Were those gentlemen called together by any written circular?—No; a verbal application.

49. By yourself?—I believe so.

50. At that preliminary meeting, Mr. Borradaile, Mr. James Campbell, jun., Mr. Robert Page, Mr. Charles Perkins, Mr. John Alexander T. Smyth, Mr. Robert Sutton, jun., and Mr. Newman Smith, whose names are published as directors in November, were not members of the first body who formed the company?—They were not present at that meeting.

51. Nor at any previous one?—No.

52. What is the purport of the preliminary resolutions passed at that meeting?—"The meeting having inquired and examined into the statements laid before them of the extent of outlay and the items of revenue, did not feel themselves sufficiently informed to be able, on this occasion, to come to any definite resolution, and therefore, with a view to reconsider these estimates as well as to obtain some further information, the meeting was adjourned to the 3d of November, to be again held as above. (Signed) John Moxon and William Green."

53. Is that all?—Yes; that is all that took place.

54. What were the statements of revenue and outlay referred to there, and by whom were they made?—They were chiefly made by myself from memorandums I had accumulated by inquiry, showing what the fair result, according to the best of my judgment, was.

55. You say, chiefly made by yourself?—Entirely made by myself.

56. Were

56. Were you informed of the nature of the country generally through which the railway was to pass?—No; not the character of it.

57. And of course the expenditure necessary to establish the line you were ignorant of?—Entirely.

58. What was the next meeting that took place?—The next meeting was at 26, Cornhill, Friday the 31st October 1834. "A casual meeting took place to-day, consisting of Mr. Maubert, Mr. John Moxon, Mr. William Borradaile, and Mr. Walter."

59. Who is Mr. Walter?—Mr. George Walter; he is the resident director of the London and Greenwich Railway.

60. Is he a man of property?—Upon my word I am not acquainted with his resources.

61. Read to the Committee the minutes at that meeting.—"When after some further inquiry as to the practicability of the measure generally, and the propriety of commencing it forthwith, Mr. Walter proposed an immediate subscription for that purpose of such as were disposed to support it, when the undermentioned names were given in as willing to contribute for that purpose: J. F. Maubert, 200 shares; John Moxon, 200 shares; Frederick Scheer, 200 shares; William Borradaile, 200 shares; George Landmann, 200 shares; James Vallance, 200 shares; George Smith, 200 shares; George Walter, 100 shares; William Green, 50 shares. Adjourned till Monday, 3d November."

62. *Chairman.*] What is the amount of each share?—I believe 20 *l.* each.

63. Mr. *Parkes.*] What took place on the 3d of November?—"No. 26, Cornhill, Monday, 3d Nov. 1834. At a meeting held this day, as above, by adjournment from the 31st ult., for the purpose of perfecting the subscription list, and for the adopting of further measures, the understated agreement was proposed, accepted, and signed. We the undersigned hereby engage to pay, whenever called upon, the sums set against our respective names, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of surveying a line or lines of country for a contemplated railroad from the termination of the Greenwich Railroad, now erecting, to the town of Gravesend in Kent; also for the purpose of defraying the preliminary expenses towards obtaining an Act of Parliament: John Moxon, 100 *l.*; John Francis Maubert, 100 *l.*; George Landmann, 100 *l.*; James Vallance, 100 *l.*; George Walter, 50 *l.*; Frederick Scheer, 50 *l.*; John Twells, 100 *l.*; James Sutton, 50 *l.*; George Smith, 100 *l.*; Robert Sutton, 50 *l.*; Robert Sutton, jun., 50 *l.*; W. T. Beeby, 100 *l.*; Thomas Hammond, 50 *l.*; William Borradaile, 100 *l.*; John Alexander T. Smyth, 50 *l.*"

64. What is the total of that subscription?—£. 1,150.

65. Who is Mr. John Twells?—A gentleman in the banking firm of Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co. I do not know whether a partner.

66. *Committee.*] Do you mean a partner?—I do not know.

67. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know who procured his attendance at that meeting?—He was not there.

68. Do you recollect who gave his name?—I presume Mr. Walter; I do not know; it is too far back to recollect.

69. Are there two gentlemen of the name of Thomas Hammond?—No; I only repeated the name for the short-hand writer.

70. Which is the Mr. Hammond that gave 100 *l.*?—He only gave 50 *l.*

71. Who is that Thomas Hammond?—I know very little about him; he was a solicitor, residing in Hatton Garden, I believe.

72. You say he was a solicitor in Hatton Garden; is he now?—I know nothing of him.

73. Is he the same gentleman you have in the list as a provisional director?—Yes.

74. Is that the whole of the proceedings on that day?—Yes, with the exception of the continuation of the resolutions.

75. Just inform the Committee what they were.—The gentlemen present on this occasion were, Mr. Moxon in the chair, Mr. Scheer, Mr. Maubert, Mr. Landmann, Mr. Vallance, Mr. Walter. "Resolved, that Colonel Landmann be requested to make the requisite surveys for a line of railway from the termination of the Greenwich Railway, now executing, to Gravesend in the county of Kent, as well by way of Woolwich as Eltham. Signed, J. Moxon, Chairman;" that is all.

76. Was there any resolution, written or verbal, with reference to the payment of this subscription?—Subsequently.

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77. At that meeting?—No.

78. Now inform the Committee of the following minute, the day and the place?—"The 6th November 1834. At a meeting held this day by adjournment from the 3d instant. No. 26, Cornhill."

79. Inform the Committee first what office was No. 26?—The present Greenwich Railway office.

80. Read the minute?—"Moved, seconded and resolved, that, in the opinion of this meeting, the proposed line of road is practicable, and the obstructions or impediments, whether arising from the nature of the country passed through, or from the construction of the road itself, are not greater than are usually met with in similar undertakings. Resolved, therefore, that a society be now formed, to be called 'The Greenwich and Gravesend Railway Company,' in continuation of the London and Greenwich Viaduct, with a capital of 600,000*l.*, in 30,000 shares of 20*l.* each, deposit 10*s.* per share. Resolved, that for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of the above-named company, a provisional committee be now formed, and that the undermentioned gentlemen be members thereof, with power to add to their number: William Borradaile, Abel Rouse Dottin, Thomas Hammond, John Francis Maubert, John Moxon, Frederick Scheer, and Robert Sutton, jun. Resolved, that George Landmann, esq., be engineer; James Vallance, esq., solicitor; George Smith, esq., surveyor and architect; Messrs. Ladbroke & Co., bankers; and William Green, secretary. Resolved, that the following letter be sent to the bankers, Messrs. Ladbroke & Company, London, the 6th November 1834: Gentlemen, we, the undersigned members of the provisional committee for promoting a railway from Greenwich to Gravesend, request you will receive deposits in our names, and place them to the credit of the said committee, and further to pay all drafts signed by any three thereof, countersigned by the secretary, William Green, whose signature is annexed. We are, gentlemen, your obedient servants, John Moxon, J. F. Maubert, Thos. Hammond, William Borradaile, Robert Sutton, jun., John Alexander T. Smyth. Resolved, that the secretary do prepare a letter to be addressed to Sir John Cam Hobhouse, first Commissioner of the Woods and Forests, on the subject of obtaining a passage through Greenwich Park. Resolved, that Mr. Maubert and Mr. Moxon be requested to seek an interview with the directors of the Greenwich Railway Company, in order to explain to that committee the views of the committee of this company, as to arranging the toll to be paid by this company for passing engines and carriages along the line of the Greenwich Railroad. That this meeting do now adjourn. (Signed) J. Moxon, Chairman."

81. Who is Mr. Dottin, referred to for the first time?—I believe Mr. Dottin is the Member for Southampton.

82. Do you know who enlisted him in the direction?—No, I do not, I should suppose Mr. Walter.

83. Sir *Eardley Wilmot.*] You say you suppose so; why do you suppose so?—Because I believe they are related together; it is only presumption.

84. Mr. *Parkes.*] Proceed to the next meeting?—"26, Cornhill, the 10th November. At a meeting held as above, by adjournment from the 6th instant, present Messrs. Maubert, Moxon, Hammond, Walter, J. Vallance, G. Landmann—Mr. Moxon in the chair—the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Read a letter from Mr. Dottin declining to take the chair at this association. The secretary reported, that the letter he was ordered to address to Sir John Cam Hobhouse, was not sent, in order to give Colonel Landmann and Mr. George Smith an opportunity to confer with Mr. Milne, the secretary to the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, and that they would report thereon. Mr. Maubert and Mr. Moxon reported, that they had had an interview with the committee of the London and Greenwich Railway Company, who had come to an arrangement with them as to the rate of charge to be made for passnig over their railway; and those gentlemen having delivered in a copy of the minute passed at their board, it was moved, seconded and resolved, that the same be received and entered in the minute book; namely, 'A deputation of the committee of the Greenwich and Gravesend Railroad having attended the court of directors for the purpose of obtaining an opinion of the rate of tolls that would be charged for their carriages and engines passing over the Greenwich Viaduct with goods and passengers, and the engineer of the company, Colonel Landmann, having expressed his conviction that two-thirds of the sum charged

charged from time to time by the Greenwich Company would be a fair proportion, the following minute was directed to be entered: That in the event of the railway being completed from Greenwich to Gravesend, it is the unanimous opinion of this court, that the rate of tolls to be paid to the London and Greenwich Company, for conveying passengers and goods in their own carriages along the Greenwich line, should not exceed two-thirds of the customary rates of tolls, charged from time to time by that company from London to Greenwich only. (Signed) George Walter, secretary.' Resolved, that the secretary is requested to address each subscriber, requiring them to pay the amount of their several subscriptions to the bankers on or before Thursday, the 13th instant. Resolved, that this meeting do now adjourn to one o'clock on Friday, the 14th instant."

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	£.
Mem.: Paid into the bankers, Messrs. Ladbroke & Co. - - - - -	900
12th Nov. 1834, paid into the bankers a further sum of money, received from Wm. Borradaile - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	100
Ditto from Newman Smith - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	50
Ditto from Thomas Hammond - - - - - - - - - - - -	50
	£200

accompanied by the letter of instruction, signed by six of the committee and the secretary, dated the 6th inst.

No. 26, Cornhill, 14th November 1834.

At a meeting held as above, by adjournment from the 10th instant,—present, Mr. Maubert, Mr. Robert Sutton, jun., Mr. Walter, Mr. Borradaile, Mr. John Moxon, Mr. Hammond, Mr. James Campbell, jun., Mr. James Vallance, Col. Landmann,—the minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the secretary reported that Mr. Newman Smith had consented to become one of the provisional committee, and that he had subscribed 50*l.* towards making the surveys, &c. The secretary also reported that he had paid into the bankers, 1,100*l.*, and delivered the letter, authorizing them to pay all drafts, signed by any three of the names therein subscribed.

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved unanimously, that James Campbell, jun., esq., be a member of this committee. Mr. Campbell took his seat accordingly, and subscribed 50*l.* towards the expenses of obtaining an Act of Parliament.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved, that the following prospectus be adopted and published, viz.—

London and Gravesend Railway Company, being a continuation of the London and Greenwich Viaduct, (to be incorporated by Act of Parliament.) Capital 600,000*l.*, in 30,000 shares of 20*l.* each, deposit 10*s.* per share.

Provisional Committee:—Wm. Borradaile, esq.; James Campbell, jun., esq.; Thomas Hammond, esq.; John Francis Maubert, esq.; Robert Sutton, jun., esq.; John Moxon, esq.; Frederick Scheer, esq.; John Alexander T. Smyth, esq.; Newman Smith, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; (with power to add to their number).

Bankers:—Messrs. Ladbroke, Kingscote, Gillman & Co.

Engineer:—George Landmann, esq.

Surveyor and Architect:—George Smith, esq.

Solicitor:—James Vallance, esq.

Secretary:—Wm. Green.

The London and Greenwich Railway having received the sanction of Parliament, and a considerable portion of the works being already performed, and now fast advancing towards completion within the estimates originally made, it has occurred to many persons who are friendly to that undertaking, as well as to the general formation of railways, that an extension of that mode of communication from Greenwich to Gravesend would not only prove an advantageous investment for capital, but in a commercial and political point of view of the greatest public benefit. A meeting has therefore taken place under the auspices of the gentlemen whose names are enumerated as above, for the purpose of carrying the proposed measure into immediate operation, who have entered into a subscription with other gentlemen for the purpose of defraying the expenses of a survey and application to Parliament.

The advantages of a railway communication to all persons engaged in business who resort to Gravesend, and particularly those connected with the arrival and departure of the foreign mails, numerous Indiamen, and other vessels, which are frequently and necessarily detained there, as well as to all persons travelling to every town on the Canterbury and Dover road, and the coast of Kent, must in this case be peculiarly striking, more especially as the time will thereby be reduced from an average of two hours and a half to one hour.

An arrangement, satisfactory to both parties, has been effected between the gentlemen concerned in this undertaking and the Greenwich Railway Company, for the passage of their engines and carriages along the Greenwich Viaduct.

The ascertained number of passengers going by the steam-boats to and from Gravesend alone, during the last year, exceeded 750,000.

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The following is an estimate of returns derived from the traffic on the line of road, founded upon railway charges :—

	£.
Stage-coach passengers	25,884
Parcels by coaches and vans	5,327
Posting and travelling by private carriages	9,325
Goods by common carriers	2,234
Goods by private carts, not common carriers	5,780
Fish, now actually forwarded by land carriage	265
Steam-boat passengers, 1-10th of the number now travelling between London and Gravesend	11,250
£.	59,975
Deduct annual expense of locomotive power, repairs, taxes, rates, salaries, and management	25,000
Net annual income £.	34,975

Nothing is assumed in this estimate for any indirect traffic on the Maidstone or Ashford and Folkestone roads (although the committee believe that they might calculate upon a considerable revenue from that source), nor for any increase of traffic resulting from this improved mode of conveyance.

In the Liverpool and Manchester and other similar undertakings, an increase in the item of passengers alone has been proved to have taken place to an extent varying from 75 to 300 per cent.

To accomplish this object it is proposed that a capital of 600,000*l.* shall be raised, in 30,000 shares of 20*l.* each; and that a deposit of 10*s.* per share shall be paid on subscribing, which shall be held applicable to defray all the incidental expenses incurred in preparing for and obtaining an Act of Parliament, &c. &c. &c.

The subscribers not to be answerable beyond the amount of their actual deposits should the Act not be obtained; and if obtained, not beyond the amount of their respective subscriptions. Applications for shares to be made to the solicitor, at No. 6, Earl-street, Blackfriars; at the bankers; and at the office, No. 17, Cornhill. The foregoing copy of prospectus read and examined with the original by me, Robert Lancaster.

Moved, seconded, and resolved, that a circular note be prepared and addressed to every proprietor of the London and Greenwich Railway Company (accompanied by a copy of the foregoing prospectus), giving them the option of taking shares in this undertaking until the

Upon the application of Colonel Landmann, a cheque was ordered to be drawn for 100*l.* and paid to him.

The secretary applied to the bankers for their consent to appropriate shares, which was granted by Mr. Kingscote, and permission given to publish the same in the prospectus.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously resolved, that although the undermentioned gentlemen connected with the London and Greenwich Railway Company declined for the present to have their names inserted in the prospectus of the London and Gravesend committee, it is very desirable to obtain their valuable assistance and co-operation in promoting this undertaking; the secretary is therefore directed to invite by special notice the attendance of Messrs. Dottin, Twells, Beeby and Walter at all future meetings of this committee, and to become members thereof.

Moved, seconded, and resolved, that Mr. Walter and the secretary be requested to make such arrangements as they may think necessary for advertising in the London and county papers.

Ordered, that the secretary do engage convenient apartments for the future meetings of the committee, and for the conducting the business of the company.

That this meeting do now adjourn.

J. Moxon.

Mem.—15th November 1834. The following copy of note was transmitted, with copy of the resolution passed at the meeting yesterday, to Messrs. Dottin, Twells, Beeby and Walter.

London and Gravesend Railway Company, No. 26, Cornhill, 15th November 1834.

Sir,—By order of the committee, I have the honour to transmit copy of resolution passed at the meeting held yesterday, and to hope they may be favoured with your attendance at the next and subsequent meetings whenever convenient, of which due notice will be given. I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant, *Wm. Green*, Secretary.

Messrs. Charles Barker and Co., Birchin-lane. No. 17, Cornhill, 19th November 1834.

Sirs,—You will please have one insertion of the annexed prospectus in each of the undermentioned papers, on different days, and send two copies of each paper containing the advertisement to the above office, and charge the same to the committee of the London and Gravesend Railway Company. I am, Sirs, *Wm. Green*, Secretary.

Times, Morning Chronicle, Morning Herald, Morning Post, Courier, Standard, Globe, Observer, Bell's Messenger (old).

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No. 17, Cornhill, 19th November 1834. Mr. O. Lewis, (Morning News Office.)—Sir, Put one insertion of the annexed prospectus in the Morning News, and send two papers containing it to the above office, charging the whole to the committee of the London and Gravesend Railway Company. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, *Wm. Green*, Secretary.

17, Cornhill, 19th November 1834. Mr. Munden Hammond, Lombard-street.—Sir,—You will please order one insertion of the annexed prospectus in the undermentioned papers, on different days, and send two copies of each paper containing the same to the above office, charging the cost thereof to the committee of the London and Gravesend Railway Company. I am, &c. &c. *Wm Green*, Secretary.

Kent Herald, Maidstone Journal, Maidstone Gazette, Greenwich Gazette, Gravesend and Milton Journal.

19th November 1834.—To the Proprietors of the Sun Newspaper. Insert once in your paper a copy of the annexed prospectus, and send two papers containing it to the office as above, and charge the same to the committee of the London and Gravesend Railway Company. I am, your obedient servant, *Wm. Green*, Secretary.

22d November 1834.—Received from the proprietors six copies, and transmitted them to various gentlemen of the committee.

Received verbal answers from Messrs. Dottin, Twells, Beeby and Walter, that they accepted the invitation to become members of the board, and would attend the committees in future.

By desire of Mr. Maubert, 150 prospectuses were delivered to Mr. Walter, to be distributed by him to different stock-brokers; viz. Messrs. Geo. Palmer, John Woolley, C. Edmunds, Wolf F. Atkinson, James Wetenhall, and others.

Robert Page, esq., subscribed 50*l.*, and requested to become a member of the committee.

Charles Perkins, esq., consented, through Mr. Borradaile, to become a member of the committee.

W. H. Wyatt, esq., of Northfleet and Dulwich Common, is desirous of becoming a member of the committee, and refers to Messrs. Sutton, George Smith and Newman Smith.

Received and paid for four copies of the Morning News, with a notice in favour of the railway. 17th November 1834.

Mr. Walter and self engaged offices at No. 17, Cornhill, for twelve months certain, at 50*l.* per annum, as authorized by a minute and resolution of the committee, of the 14th instant.

85. What was the date of the last resolution?—The 19th of November.

86. Just stop a moment; on that day you published a prospectus?—Yes.

87. You directed that publication?—Yes; it is mentioned here.

88. Who drew up that minute which contains the estimate; who had the responsibility of preparing the estimate, both in regard to the supposed traffic, the returns of net annual income, and also the estimate of the cost of the line, with reference to fixing the capital of the company at 600,000 *l.*?—Colonel Landmann fixed the cost of the line, and I drew out the estimate of the revenue you refer to, and examined it with the members of the committee afterwards, that they might be satisfied it was an approach to truth.

89. From what data did you draw out the estimate?—By checking the traffic on the road, by inquiring at the Coach-office, Somerset House, and making such inquiries as is usually done. It was a very tedious operation, and a very lengthened one, as far as I was concerned.

90. Between what times did you collect the information?—Several weeks, I should say.

91. What check of the traffic is it you allude to, as having been made by yourself?—The only information I obtained, was at the Stage-coach-office at Somerset House, a list of coaches licensed to carry passengers on that road.

92. When did you get that list?—I suppose somewhere about that period.

93. In what shape was the list?—It was a list of all the licensed stages and vans allowed to carry passengers.

94. Where did you procure it from?—From the Stage-coach-office, Somerset House.

95. Have you possession of it?—No.

96. At what time did you get it?—I really cannot answer that; it must have been some time in October or November previous to this period.

97. What did you pay for it?—I do not know that I paid any thing.

98. Who gave it you?—The officer of the department I did not know even then; and I extracted a good deal from the information in "Robson's Directory," which I was referred to by those officers, who said it was, as nearly as possible, a correct statement.

99. How did you get the number of passengers?—By the licence there is the average number allowed by the Act.

100. Did you take the full number?—No.

101. What principle did you adopt?—Nine is the general average taken for a coach licensed to carry fifteen.

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102. What proportion did you put inside?—Inside and outside, only nine.

103. The inside is generally double the charge of outside passengers?—I only took the number nine.

104. Did you charge them at the full price?—At the railway price, 2*d.* per head per mile.

105. Have you any papers or data from which you made that estimate?—No.

106. How did you make the estimate of the parcels by coaches and vans?—By inquiries at the various booking-offices.

107. What answer did they give you, and at what offices?—It is so long back, I cannot say.

108. Will you state one office where you made a *bonâ fide* inquiry, and obtained the amount of the parcels?—At the Ship Hotel at Dover, and the Rose at Canterbury, and, I believe, at Gracechurch-street, at Chaplin's, and at the Bricklayers' Arms. I employed a man there, who superintends the coaches, to give me such an account as he could, and I afterwards checked it.

109. Of what?—The number of journeys, and the number of coaches.

110. How did you check it yourself?—By getting other information.

111. How did you obtain any information of the quantity of parcels by coaches and vans?—By making inquiries of the carriers and different people, the best I could obtain.

112. Were all the coach-offices you applied to, so good-natured as to give you the information?—Yes; and they offered to come to give evidence.

113. Were they proprietors?—Mr. Clement, the proprietor of the Rose Inn at Canterbury, offered to come, and Mr. Wright of Dover.

114. Did they give you access to their books?—Not all of them.

115. Did they give you access to their books in any one instance?—Yes, they gave me extracts.

116. Have you them by you?—No, it is so long since.

117. Who gave you the extracts?—Their servants or book-keepers.

118. What was the nature of the extract?—The number of journeys, and the parcels they carried.

119. Do you mean to say, you have not got the documents?—No, I have not.

120. Did you burn them?—No; this company is dissolved, and this book is the only document I have got.

121. Who gave you an account of the posting and travelling by private carriages, entered at the sum of 9,325*l.*?—It is an assumed amount, which I took from the best information I could derive at the houses where they posted.

122. What houses?—The same houses I have already told you.

123. The same houses?—The same sort of houses, and the actual houses.

124. Did they give you the amount of the posting?—Yes.

125. Did they give you the gross amount of their receipts?—The average amount.

126. Or profit?—The gross number of horses and carriages that went out.

127. Did they give you any account of their gross receipts or profits?—No, nothing of that kind.

128. Have you not stated in your answer to a preceding question they gave such an account?—No; of the parcels they did.

129. Did they give you any account of the posting?—No.

130. Is not the principal part of it guess work?—Yes it is, part of it.

131. What portion is not?—I do not know now.

132. From what source did you obtain information as to goods carried by common carriers, 2,234*l.*?—From the best information I could obtain.

133. From whom?—The various booking-offices.

134. State one?—I cannot.

135. Did you make, in point of fact, any inquiry?—I did.

136. State any one?—I cannot.

137. Have you any documents remaining?—No.

138. How did you obtain information, and from what source, as to the quantity of goods carried by private carts, not common carriers, entered at 5,780*l.*?—It is estimated from the same source of inquiry, at the different towns that such traffic was going on.

139. You cannot inform the Committee of the person or place where a single inquiry was made?—Not as to this company.

140. How did you learn the quantity of fish now actually forwarded, or in November,

November, by land carriage, entered at 265 *l.* ?—I think that was through Mr. Matthews, a solicitor at Gravesend; but I am not sure.

141. Where did the fish come from?—From Gravesend.

142. How did you get the information as to the steam-boat passengers entered at 11,250 *l.*?—From the returns made to the Pier Company at Gravesend.

143. Have you got these?—No; I have not any documents.

144. What do you mean by one-tenth of the number, now travelling between London and Gravesend?—It is an assumed estimate, and considered very moderate.

145. That you should carry that number?—Yes, it was supposed we should.

146. On what principle did you make it?—We thought they would prefer that mode of proceeding, by railway.

147. Who gave you the estimate of the expense of the locomotive power, repairs, taxes, rates, salaries and management, 25,000 *l.*?—I believe Colonel Landmann.

148. Are you certain?—I believe I am.

149. You do not mean to say he gave you any thing more than the locomotive power?—I can say no more than that was the information from him.

150. Did he give you the taxes and rates?—That was the general assumed mode of calculating. I can go no nearer to the point.

151. Had you any estimate in writing from Colonel Landmann, or any other party, which justified you in placing the capital at 600,000*l.* for that portion of the line at that time?—I had not.

152. When did you draw up the rough draft of this, previous to this minute?—Perhaps a week before it, or two or three days.

153. You cannot produce it?—No.

154. Did you, immediately after those minutes, give publicity by such advertisements as were resolved upon?—Yes.

155. Did it appear in the public papers?—Yes.

156. And copies of them came to you?—Yes.

157. Are those in existence?—I should think not.

158. Who is Mr. Campbell?—He is the son of the Bank director.

159. *Chairman.*] What is his age?—Between 30 and 40, or 30.

160. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is the Committee to understand that your data, so collected, are the ground of the expression on the part of the committee, of a confident belief that that income will be fully realized?—It is.

161. In this prospectus of the 27th of January 1835, it is stated that a lithographic plan and section of the intended line may be obtained by application to you at the company's office?—Yes, it is.

162. Was there such a plan and section?—Yes.

163. From whose plan were they engraved?—Colonel Landmann's.

164. Refer to the minutes of the directors, and state when and by what resolution you issued any shares; and read it to the Committee?—On the 27th of November 1834.

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A meeting of the committee was held this day for the special purpose of executing and signing the parliamentary and proprietary deeds, and to reconsider a plan for the appropriation of shares. Present: Robert Page, esq., J. A. T. Smyth, esq., John F. Maubert, esq., Charles Perkins, esq., George Walter, esq., Thomas Hammond, esq., James Vallance, esq., John Moxon, esq., George Landmann, esq., John Moxon, esq., in the chair. The deed being signed by every member of the committee present,

The following copy of a letter was adopted and ordered to be printed for the appropriation of shares:—

London and Gravesend Railway, No. 17, Cornhill.

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Sir,—In answer to your application for shares in the above railway, I beg to inform you that shares are allotted, and will be delivered on your calling at this office and paying the deposit of 10*s.* per share, on or before the next.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

——— Secretary.

The following was ordered to be advertised once, in all the papers mentioned below:—

London and Gravesend Railway Company, being a continuation of London and Greenwich Viaduct, to be incorporated by Act of Parliament. Capital 600,000 *l.*, in 30,000 shares of 20 *l.* each; deposit, 10 *s.* per share.

Provisional Committee:—William Borradaile, esq.; James Campbell, jun., esq.; Thomas Hammond,

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Hammond, esq.; John Francis Maubert, esq.; John Moxon, esq.; Robert Page, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; John Alex. T. Smyth, esq.; Frederick Scheer, esq.; Robert Sutton, jun., esq.; Newman Smith, esq.; (with power to add to their number).

Bankers:—Messrs. Ladbroke, Kingscote & Gillman.

Engineer:—George Landmann, esq.

Surveyer and Architect:—George Smith, esq.

Solicitor:—James Vallance, esq.

Secretary:—William Green, esq.

Applications for shares to be made at the company's offices, No. 17, Cornhill.

165. Do you recollect about what period you first received applications for shares?—No, I do not.

166. Were they in the usual mode, by letter?—They were.

167. Were they very numerous?—No.

168. Rather scanty?—Very much so.

169. Did you allot any shares?—There were a few allotted.

170. *Chairman.*] What do you mean by allotted?—Appropriated to those who chose to ask for them.

171. Mr. *Parkes.*] Cannot you ascertain how many were allotted?—No

172. Were there many?—No, very few.

173. What do you mean by a few, 1,000 or 500?—I should think not 1,000.

174. A thousand would be a very considerable sum, that would be 20,000*l.*?—As refers to this company there were scarcely any issued; but the following year the Gravesend Company was formed, being a continuation of this, and then the shares became appropriated.

175. Turn to the last minute before this company expired, the first company?—I have it here.

176. Just state the mode of its termination as a projected company?—

No. 76, Cornhill, 10th November 1835.

At a meeting of the committee held this day,—present, Mr. Wm. Borradaile, in the chair, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Brothers, Capt. Page, Mr. R. Sutton, jun., and Mr. Moxon,—the resolutions of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

It was moved, seconded, and resolved, that the under-mentioned cheques be drawn:—

£.	s.	d.	
For 25	–	–	the balance of the secretary's salary.
15	10	–	the balance of rent for offices.
3	10	–	amount of housekeeper's bill for one quarter's attendance, &c.
48	–	–	the balance of bankers' account, to be paid over to the committee of the new company, in consideration of their taking upon themselves, and adopting, the outstanding claims on the present company.
£. 92	–	–	balance at the bankers' as per annexed account.

W. Borradaile, John Brothers, R. Sutton, jun.

No. 76, Cornhill, 1st December 1835.

At a meeting of the committee held this day,—present, William Borradaile, esq., Mr. John Brothers, Mr. Robert Sutton, jun., and Mr. John Moxon,—the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The secretary reported that the committee of the new company had accepted the transfer of the balance of the old company, upon the terms of the foregoing resolution, passed on the 10th November.

Resolved, that this company be now dissolved.

Wm. Borradaile, John Brothers, R. Sutton, jun.

Then follows a statement of the cash transactions of the company, and a balance of £. 92. 0*s.* 5*d.* transferred to Gravesend.

177. *Chairman*]. Can you refer to the minute by which it was resolved that the company should be dissolved, and a new company should be formed?—Yes.

Copy of notice issued on the 16th of October 1835. 76, Cornhill.

Sir,—You are requested to attend a meeting of the committee at *eleven* o'clock precisely, on *Tuesday next, the 20th instant, on* ESPECIAL BUSINESS. I remain, Sir, your obedient servant, *Wm. Green,* Secretary.

Sent to Mr. Moxon, Mr. Maubert, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Borradaile, Mr. Walter, Mr. Brothers, and Mr. Perkins.

No. 76, Cornhill, 20th October 1835.

At a meeting of the committee held this day, as above, by adjournment from No. 17, Cornhill, by special summons;—present, Mr. Borradaile, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Walter; Mr. Moxon in the chair;—the resolutions and proceedings of the last meetings were read and confirmed.

The secretary delivered to the committee a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the

the company, commencing the 3d of November 1834, up to this date, as per copy of the account annexed. Mr. *William Green* 6 March 1837.

The secretary also delivered in a list of the outstanding claims, as follows:

£.121 – –	James Vallance, esq.	£.77	– –
	One quarter's rent	15	10 –
	Housekeeper	3	10 –
	Secretary	25	– –

The balance at the bankers was – £.92 – 5

The secretary having read the following resolutions passed by the new committee of the London and Gravesend Railway; viz.—Resolved, that the secretary do communicate to the provisional directors of the late company, who subscribed last year towards the expense of surveys, &c. and the application to Parliament, to know upon what terms they will transfer to the present company their plans, estimates and papers.

Whereupon it was moved, seconded, and resolved, that the following resolutions be sent to the new committee:—

1st. That this meeting having carefully considered the present prospects of completing the company, are of opinion they are not sufficient to sustain a reasonable hope of success without the accession of new interest.

2nd. That several gentlemen, not heretofore connected with this company, have proposed adopting the undertaking, upon condition that a new direction is formed, and a new prospectus circulated.

3rd. That this board be dissolved, upon condition that the proposed new company, for the same object, will consent to give each of the present subscribers to this undertaking a number of shares in the new subscription, equal to the money paid by the existing subscribers; and that this Board and this committee is dissolved accordingly.

4th. That a circular letter explaining these resolutions, and containing a summary of the receipts and expenditure, shall be printed and addressed to each of the subscribers, as follows:—

Sir,—I am desired by the old committee of the London and Gravesend Railroad Company, to inform you that the same object having been taken up by a more influential body of gentlemen, a negociation has been entered into between the two committees, having for its object a transfer of all the documents to the new committee. This proposal has been agreed to by the old committee, upon condition that an equivalent number of shares, estimating the deposit on each at 1*l.* per share, shall be awarded by the new committee to each of the original subscribers agreeing, with the money actually paid by them. At foot is a recapitulation of the sums which have been so received by the old committee, together with a general discharge of the same. You are therefore requested to state in writing, by signing the annexed letter, and forwarding the same to me at the above office, No. 76, Cornhill, on or before 2d November next, whether you agree with the proposal or not. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, *Wm. Green*, Sec.

To Wm. Green, esq., Secretary of the London and Gravesend Railroad Company,
76, Cornhill.

Sir,—I hereby agree to abandon all claims upon the documents, surveys and papers of the London and Gravesend Railway Company, which have been paid for by the deposits of the old subscribers, upon receiving an equivalent number of shares in the new company, which are to be credited with a deposit of 1*l.* per share, amounting to the sum I have already paid towards promoting a London and Gravesend Railway. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

RECAPITULATION:

	£.	s.	d.
Amount of subscriptions received from proprietors	1,931	10	–

EXPENDITURE:

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Surveys	664	4	–						
Printing and stationery	120	13	5						
				784	17	5			
Rent	31	5	–						
Salaries	252	9	–						
Office expenses	68	18	5						
				352	12	5			
Petty disbursements	44	15	–						
Advertisements	212	6	6						
				257	1	6			
Law and Parliamentary expenses				444	18	3			
							1,839	9	7
Balance at the bankers							£. 92	–	5

178. What is the item charged for the surveys?—£.664. 4*s.*

179. Proceed with the minutes?—"At a meeting of the Committee held this

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27th day of October 1835;—present, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Borradaile, Capt. Page, Mr. Moxon, and Mr. Brothers; Mr. Perkins in the chair;—the resolutions, minutes and accounts of the last meeting having been read and examined, it was moved, seconded, and resolved, that they be now confirmed, and they were confirmed. Charles Perkins."

180. Who were the gentlemen represented there as contracting parties with your company, about to be dissolved. The gentlemen of the new company?—I must go to the other minute book. "At a meeting held this day ——"

181. *Chairman.*] What is that book?—Minute book, No. 2, of the London and Gravesend Railway Company.

182. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who were the parties represented, as connected with you, to have turned over your old company?—It is in the minute; I was going to read it.

183. What is the date of the last minute?—The 1st of December 1835.

184. *Chairman.*] In the old book is there any statement, who were the parties, forming the new company, to whom the interests of the old company were to be assigned?—No.

185. Mr. *Parkes.*] What is the date of the first minute you have in the book No. 2?—The 13th of October 1835.

186. Who kept that minute book?—I did.

187. In what character?—As secretary.

188. Who to?—To the Gravesend Railway Company.

189. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] The new company?—Yes.

190. Mr. *Parkes.*] You officiated as secretary of this proposed consolidated company some two or three months before the actual arrangement, before the consolidation of the direction?—I did, as soon as it was in contemplation.

191. State to the Committee who were the new parties, not members of your board, belonging to the direction, whose minutes are recorded in that book?—Richard Digby Neave, esq., George Robert Rowe, esq., Lieut.-colonel Skerrett, Lieut.-colonel Utterton, Thos. Philpotts, esq., Thos. Eyre Wyche.

192. *Chairman.*] What members of the old company appear?—Mr. Borradaile, Mr. Brothers, Mr. Maubert, Mr. Moxon, Mr. Page, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Smith, Mr. Sutton, jun., Mr. Twells, and Mr. Walter.

193. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is Mr. Brothers?—A lieutenant in the Navy.

194. Where does he reside?—Norwood Lodge.

195. Where is that?—I do not know.

196. When was he first introduced into your company?—He was in the old company, and I do not know when he was introduced into this.

197. You referred to his name when you turned over the old company?—Yes, it is here. I do not know when he first came into it.

198. Do you know who introduced him?—I believe it was Mr. Walter.

199. When was the first meeting of the new board?—The 13th of October.

200. 1835?—Yes.

201. The first meeting of the consolidated board?—Yes.

202. When did you proceed under that new direction to consider of any new prospectus as to the capital and plan?—On the 13th of October 1835. "At a meeting held this day, at No. 26, Cornhill;—present, Messrs. Wm. Borradaile, Thomas Philpotts, John Brothers, George Walter, Lieut.-Col. Utterton, John Twells, Charles Perkins, John Moxon; Mr. Perkins in the chair;—it was moved, seconded, and resolved, that the continuation of a railway to Gravesend, to commence from the termination of the London and Greenwich Railway, affords a prospect of being highly convenient and beneficial to the public, as well as advantageous to the proprietors who may engage in carrying it on. Resolved, that the following gentlemen be a provisional committee for attending to and directing the progress of the measure to be adopted, with power to add to their number." Then follow the names I have read.

203. Did you draw up the prospectus?—"Resolved, that a prospectus be prepared, stating the necessary particulars of the undertaking, and that the following form be adopted."

204. Who prepared that form?—The gentlemen generally, with myself.

205. Were you the original preparer of it?—I cannot say I was, I did my best.

206. Read it, and we shall see perhaps?—"London and Gravesend Railway, being in continuation of the London and Greenwich Railway (to be incorporated by Act of Parliament). Capital 600,000*l.*, in shares of 20*l.* each; deposit 1*l.* per share.

share. Provisional Directors (see the above list); Bankers, Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.; Engineer, George Landmann, esq.; Solicitor, James Vallance, esq.; Secretary, William Green, office, No. 76, Cornhill. The town of Gravesend and its neighbourhood has lately been growing in public estimation, and has now become so constant a resort of persons from the metropolis, that there is no doubt but an increased facility of communication by a railroad would be highly advantageous to the public, and profitable to the proprietors. It is proposed to extend the London and Greenwich Railway to Gravesend, and thus reduce the time of travelling from London Bridge to Gravesend to less than one hour; this cannot fail to be found highly acceptable to those persons who are interested in the commerce of the port of London, or in the arrival and departure of steam-vessels and foreign mails. The number of persons who have visited Gravesend during the present year is estimated at between 800,000 and 900,000, and when the additional inducement of a railway shall be presented to the public, there can be no doubt but the intercourse between London, Gravesend, and the neighbouring towns, will be considerably increased. The sources of revenue have been carefully and minutely examined, and are such as to justify an opinion that the annual income will be equal to that of any similar undertaking. The plans and surveys of this line of railway, together with the estimates of outlay, are completed, and the proposed gradients have been pronounced by scientific persons, as the best calculated to combine the greatest speed and the least possible wear and tear. Applications for shares to be addressed to the secretary, at the office as above, (if by letter, post paid). Some expense having been incurred in an application to Parliament and in making surveys last year,—Resolved, that the gentlemen who contributed to such expense be allowed to take shares in the present undertaking, to the extent of their subscriptions on that occasion. That this committee do now adjourn to Thursday next, to be then summoned at twelve o'clock. William Borradaile, Chairman."

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207. Was that prospectus ever made public?—Yes.

208. You state that the estimate, accounts, and so forth, had been carefully and minutely examined?—Yes.

209. Who by?—You mean the plans?

210. You say that the figures had been carefully and minutely examined; when and by whom?—By the directors.

211. Which of the directors?—I cannot say.

212. How can you say by the directors?—Because the estimates were laid on the table for their satisfaction, and they gave their assent of course to the publication.

213. But in regard to the estimate of the traffic and receipts, who carefully examined and inspected them?—Persons were employed to take the traffic on the line.

214. Who?—I cannot say.

215. Who employed them?—I did.

216. Are you speaking of a time subsequent to the time you spoke of?—Yes.

217. Have you that date?—Not here.

218. Can you produce them?—Yes.

219. How many persons were employed?—Four.

220. Who were they?—I must refer to my memorandum.

221. Cannot you state from recollection?—I would without any hesitation if I could; but the reason is, I have been in the habit of employing so many this session of Parliament, differing in names, that it might be incorrect, that is the reason.

222. Do you recollect whether that is your second prospectus?—[*handing a paper to the Witness.*]—It may be, but I really cannot say; it is a prospectus we issued.

223. Have you no recollection of the prospectuses; you have been summoned to produce them?—I believe they are here.

224. Send for them, and let us have them; you recollect that prospectus?—Yes, I do.

225. What time did it issue; there is no date to it?—[*The Witness examined the prospectus.*]—This is not mine; this is the London and Dover; I do not know it; mine is London and Gravesend.

226. Look at the name?—It may be; that is not mine.

227. State what you know of it?—I know nothing of it.

228. Have you never seen it?—Yes, I have, casually.

229. Just

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229. Just look over the names of your own directors; does it appear to have been issued in the interregnum, when you ceased to be secretary?—That has nothing to do with my railway.

230. You have two or three railways; I want to know whether you know anything about it?—I do not.

231. Mr. Colin Smith is the secretary to it?—Yes.

232. Is not that the one issued previously to your junction?—It might be.

233. Do you know nothing of it?—I do not.

234. Is that the prospectus of the company you joined?—I cannot tell; I do not know.

235. You joined Mr. Colin Smith afterwards; is that the prospectus of Mr. Colin Smith's preparatory company?—It may be

236. Is it?—I cannot tell.

237. Read the directors?—I am a stranger to this entirely: it is not that I desire to refuse to answer; I am a stranger to it.

238. Just look at it again, and inform the Committee of the names of the directors of your company that appear in the printed prospectus of Mr. Colin Smith?—Mr. Neave is on my committee, Mr. Brothers, Mr. Page, Mr. Walter, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Phillpott's: the names that are not on my committee are Mr. Algar, Captain Henry Jones, and Mr. M'Dougall.

239. Can you state to the Committee, as the secretary of another line partially through the same country, and involving so many of your own directors, you are entirely ignorant of that company?—I know nothing of it; I have only a knowledge that the company was so formed.

240. And from your own directors?—It may be; seeing the names, I know them to be part of my direction.

241. What time had you knowledge of that prospectus?—I dare say at the time it was issued.

242. Was it official knowledge?—No further than by public advertisement; it is totally distinct from mine.

243. Is that a prospectus of the consolidated company, a minute of which has been read [*handing another paper to the Witness*]?—No, that is the old one.

244. Then produce your own prospectuses, and give me that back again; produce the first prospectus issued from the new direction?—I have unfortunately not got one.

245. You must have got them in your possession or at the office?

Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is there a copy in that book.

Witness.] Yes.

246. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was it made public?—Yes.

247. *Chairman.*] Had you not an order to produce the prospectuses?—Yes, and to the best of my knowledge I have done so.

248. Mr. *Rotch.*] They are in the book?—Yes.

249. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you not got your newspapers?—Yes.

250. Have you not brought them?—No.

251. You were directed to bring them; just produce the copy of the summons?—I have not got it here.

252. You undertake to produce them?—Yes, certainly.

253. Now turn to any subsequent prospectus following the one you have read?

Chairman.] Take them in the order of date.

Witness.] I do not think there is any further entry here of the prospectuses for the Gravesend Railway [*the Witness searched through the book*]. Yes, here is another.

254. *Chairman.*] What is the date?—

No. 76, Cornhill, 5th January 1836.

At a meeting of the committee held this day,—present, Mr. Philpotts in the chair, R. Sutton, jun., esq., Thomas Philpotts, esq., John Twells, esq., John Brothers, esq., George Walter, esq., George Robert Rowe, esq., William Borradaile, esq., George Landmann, esq., James Vallance, esq.,—the minutes and resolutions of the meetings, held on the 15th, 19th, and 22d December, having been read, it was moved, seconded and resolved, that they be confirmed. The chairman informed the committee, that the under-mentioned gentlemen had been invited to become members of this committee, and that they had signified their pleasure to accept the appointment: it was therefore moved, seconded, and resolved unanimously, that Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq., M.P., J. P. Boileau, esq., of 20, Upper Brook-street, Grosvenor-square, and S. J. Boileau, esq., of 16, Southampton-buildings, be elected members of the provisional committee, and that the secretary be directed to communicate

municate this resolution to each gentleman, and that they be invited to take their seat at all future meetings of the committee. It was moved, seconded and resolved, that 500 prospectuses be struck off containing the additional names of the new members, omitting the words, "with power to add to their number;" and "applications for shares to be addressed to the secretary, at the office as above, if by letter, post paid." It was also resolved, that the following copy of advertisement be inserted in all the London and country papers twice, as heretofore. "London and Gravesend Railway, being a continuation of the London and Greenwich Railway, (to be incorporated by Act of Parliament). Capital 600,000*l.*, in shares of 20*l.* per share; deposit 1*l.* per share. Provisional directors: Lieutenant-Colonel Leith Hay, M.P., Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq., M.P., William Borradaile, esq., John Brothers, esq., Captain Henry Jones, John Moxon, esq., Richard Digby Neave, esq., Robert Page, esq., Thomas Philpotts, esq., Charles Perkins, esq., S. J. Boileau, esq., George R. Rowe, esq., M.D., Lieutenant-Colonel Skerrett, Robert Sutton, jun., esq., John Twells, esq., Lieutenant-Colonel Utterton, George Walter, esq., Thomas Eyre Wyche, esq.; bankers, Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.; engineer, George Landmann, esq.; solicitor, James Vallance, esq.; secretary, William Green, esq., office, 76, Cornhill. The directors have the gratification to report, that the whole of the capital has been subscribed, the deposits paid, and the Standing Orders of both Houses of Parliament complied with. Those subscribers who have not yet exchanged their bankers' receipts for scrip shares, are requested to do so. The secretary laid before the board two letters from Mr. Matthews of Gravesend, dated the 21st and 28th of December."

That is all: I thought it was a prospectus.

255. Mr. *Parkes.*] That is the 600,000*l.* advertisement?—Yes.

256. Who introduced Mr. Boileau to the Board?—Upon my word I do not recollect.

257. Can you find the minute in which he was first introduced; you can do it another time. He became a member of the direction?—Yes.

258. Was he a subscriber to that line?—Yes.

259. Of how much?—I believe, I do not like to make a mistake,—I should think it was 200 shares.

260. *Chairman.*] Does that appear in the minute book?—No, not in this.

261. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is he a barrister?—I believe he is. There are two Mr. Boileaus, and they both have the same number of shares.

262. Which of them was the director?—Both of them were directors.

263. What is the christian name of the barrister?—Simeon J. Boileau.

264. You do not know who introduced him?—I do not recollect.

265. What number of shares were applied for in consequence of the publication of that prospectus?—About 90,000 shares were written for.

266. *Chairman.*] There were only 30,000 shares originally?—No, but 90,000 were asked for.

267. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you the letters of application?—Yes.

268. Produce them?—They are very voluminous.

269. Produce them?—

[*The Witness sent for the letters.*]

270. State to the Committee any proceedings, and at what time those proceedings were held, at which any determination of the board was come to as to the appropriation of shares. Have you any minute of any appropriation of shares?—I believe I have. On the 27th of October 1835, there was published in the newspapers this notice: "Notice is hereby given, that no application for shares in the above undertaking will be received after 10 o'clock on Tuesday next, the 3d of November, when the appropriation of shares will be made. By order of the directors, William Green, secretary."

271. Turn to the minutes of the first meeting of the board which had any relation to the appropriation of shares; when you did appropriate the shares, or take steps?—This is on the 3d of November 1835. "In consequence of the unprecedented number of applications for shares beyond the amount required, the committee were unable to proceed in appropriating them to the different applicants; and, in order to give time for the necessary examination and apportionment of them, it was moved, seconded, and resolved, that the following notice be inserted once in all the London newspapers, as heretofore, and that the secretary be desired to give the necessary orders for that purpose:—London and Gravesend Railway. Notice is hereby given, that the time having expired for subscribing for shares in this undertaking, as already advertised, no further applications can be received. Letters of appropriation will be sent out on Friday next, 6th of November. Wm. Borradaile, chairman."

272. Go on to the actual appropriation; go to the 6th of November?—On the 4th of November "the secretary reported, that nearly 80,000 shares had been applied

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plied for." I beg pardon, I said 90,000. "It was moved, seconded, and resolved, that an immediate appropriation of 22,269 shares be made to the public." On the 13th of November, the secretary——

273. *Chairman.*] Is there no appropriation on the 6th?—There was an appropriation, and this is the result.

274. Mr. *Parkes.*] Read the minutes of the 6th of November?—No; there was no meeting until the 10th. On the 13th the secretary reported, "That the amount of deposits paid to Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co., the bankers, last night, was 18,600 *l.*"

275. First state what shares were appropriated. Is there any minute of that?—No further than I have read.

276. Now attend. Who took the responsibility of appropriating those shares?—The directors themselves.

277. Have you any minute of that?—I do not think I have.

278. *Chairman.*] Is there any entry in that book of the time and manner in which the shares were appropriated?—Not here.

279. Mr. *Parkes.*] State to the Committee what was about the time and the manner in which it was done?—A great deal of pains were taken to examine the list of applicants, which engaged the attention of several of the directors.

280. Name them?—I cannot.

281. Name some of them?—I will name the whole committee; I cannot tell without the parties were present: Mr. Sutton, Mr. Moxon, Mr. Borradaile, Mr. Philpotts, Mr. Wyche, Mr. Brothers, Captain Page; these were all that were present on that occasion.

282. *Chairman.*] What was the date of the meeting at which the shares were appropriated?—I presume the 10th or 13th of November.

283. Mr. *Parkes.*] You state considerable pains were taken in the appropriation: what pains do you allude to?—To see that the shares were distributed to such parties as were proper, and considered able to pay the deposits.

284. What inquiries were made of their competence to represent the amount applied for, and to pay the deposits?—Nothing more than what the directors were able to afford each other.

285. You were present?—Those lists were made out for the inspection of the directors, and they ordered so many shares to be appropriated as they chose.

286. Was the whole appropriation made in one day?—I should think so.

287. *Chairman.*] Which of those days, the 10th or 13th?—I cannot tell.

288. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Were the committee unanimous, when they made that appropriation?—Yes.

289. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you present?—Yes.

290. In what way were the names indicated?—I was told by the directors generally, "You will send letters of appropriation to those names that are ticked."

291. Have you that list?—No.

292. Can you produce it?—No.

293. Why not?—I did not consider it of any consequence; the bank book will contain the names.

294. From what document were you directed to write letters announcing the appropriation?—Nothing but the list before the directors.

295. Why do you say you do not think you can produce it?—I do not think I have it.

296. Have you destroyed it?—No.

297. Why do you say you cannot produce it?—I do not think I can.

298. Had you scheduled out for the use of the directors at such meeting a list of all the applicants for shares, their addresses, and the shares they applied for?—Yes.

299. Are you sure of that?—Yes.

300. Had you put their addresses as well as their names?—I think not.

301. Have you any knowledge of such lists being extant?—I think there ought to be such a one.

302. Did you make any inquiry about them?—No.

303. Did you give any advice about them?—No.

304. Was the full number of 22,269, according to that list, so appropriated?—Yes.

305. Had you a printed form to accept applicants?—Yes, printed letters.

306. The number you sent, 22,269, is ascertained from the casting up of the figures

figures after the letters were ticked?—I really cannot explain it; it is out of my power.

307. You have come to the resolution that such a number has been appropriated by the minute you have read?—Yes.

308. Was that previous to the inspection of the lists or afterwards?—It must be afterwards.

309. On what day did you send out any circular answers to the applications?—I suppose the date of the advertisement; but the letters will be here in a moment.

310. Was the form printed?—Yes.

311. They were signed by you as secretary?—Yes, they will be here themselves.

312. You are not certain to the day you sent it out?—No, I am not.

313. What number of shares was taken up, after the letters were sent out?—You mean what were paid upon?

314. Yes?—From first to last nearly 20,000*l.* were paid; I think so.

315. In what space of time?—In three days.

316. *Chairman.*] At 1*l.* a share?—Yes.

317. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did the 22,269 comprise the number of shares to be allotted to the directors of your old board, and the parties who were referred to, in the minute you read some time ago?—I really cannot tell; I dare say it might be: I do not know from memory.

318. Between the time of the first and second company you were connected with, you raised the deposit from 10*s.* to 20*s.*?—Yes.

319. When did the parties take out any shares in pursuance of the minute you read half an hour ago?—I cannot say; the documents will show.

320. You have come here to produce the documents?—They are coming.

321. *Chairman.*] Produce any documents that will show it.

[*Two books were produced.*]

322. Mr. *Parkes.*] You were employed by the resolution to issue a certain number of shares at a less deposit, in consequence of a previous payment made by the parties; were those shares taken up?—At a less deposit.

323. I understand you to say, they were to take them up at a less deposit?—For every 1*l.* gave two old shares.

324. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] They were not to pay the whole 20*s.*, but plus after the 10*s.*?—If they took out the same number of shares in the new Gravesend Company that they held in the old, they must pay 10*s.* additional deposit.

325. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who took out new shares in pursuance of that arrangement?—I can only tell by referring.

326. *Chairman.*] Refer to any document?

Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you not the bankers' account?

Witness.] Here are the letters of applications.

327. I wish to know what gentlemen took out two shares, paying 1*l.* on the two shares.

Chairman.] You mean what gentlemen were there, members of the old company, who took out shares in the new, paying a deposit of 10*s.* a share?

Mr. *Parkes.*] Or exchanged one share for two.

Mr. *Hill.*] No; bringing two shares, and taking one.

Witness.] I have the list:—John Moxon, esq., J. F. Maubert, esq., George Landmann, esq., James Vallance, esq., George Walter, esq., John Twells, esq., James Sutton, esq., George Smith, esq., Robert Sutton, esq., Robert Sutton, jun., esq., W. T. Beeby, esq., Thomas Hammond, esq., William Borradaile, esq., J. A. T. Smyth, esq., Newman Smith, esq., James Campbell, jun., esq., Robert Page, esq., A. R. Dottin, esq., Charles Perkins, esq., H. Kingscote, esq., F. Scheer, esq., T. Dunman, esq., F. J. Brown, esq., John Cooper, esq., J. Rains, esq., H. Atkinson, esq., C. Laurence, esq., M. Kelland, esq., M. A. Goldsmid, esq., J. T. Mills, esq., J. A. T. Smyth, esq., Charles Holbrook, esq., T. Mercer, esq., J. Gardner, esq., J. W. Hillier, esq., T. W. Perry, esq., R. H. Gerard, esq., T. Williams, esq., W. Davis, esq., S. Andrews, esq., T. Croft, esq., C. Hill, esq., J. Serle, esq., Rev. Hunt Grubbe, esq., Charles Capper, esq., W. Griffiths, esq., J. Gardner, esq., A. Harry, esq., —— Brooks, esq., W. Bird, esq., —— Clifford, esq, W. M. Simonds, esq., J. Brothers, esq., J. Roberts, esq., W. Longcroft, esq., A. de Grave, esq., J. H. Vere, esq., John Owen, esq., G. Jeffkins, esq., W. Chaplin, esq., R. Coulson, esq., J. Moxon, esq., J. F. Maubert, esq., Robert Sutton, jun., esq., J. M. A. Skerrett, esq., J. L. de Symonds, esq., J. T. Smith, esq.

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328. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is Mr. Boileau among them?—He is not.

329. Was Mr. Boileau subsequently a shareholder?—Yes.

330. How much; 6,000 *l.* was not he?—Yes.

331. Was Mr. Vallance a shareholder?—Yes.

332. To what amount?—Upon my word, I do not know from memory; he was the holder of 200 or 250 shares, I do not know which.

333. Were the shares of the company ever at a premium?—I have understood that they were.

334. Do you not know that they were?—No, I do not.

335. Have you no knowledge, as the secretary, of what was their market price?—No.

336. Did you never hear it?—No, except by conversation.

337. Did you never look at the list?—No.

338. Had you any yourself?—No.

339. Had any of your family?—Yes.

340. Which of them?—My two daughters.

341. What are their ages?—One is 23 and the other 21, and another 24.

342. Which of them applied for shares?—I do not know that there was any regular application.

343. Here is a list; state the names of your daughters, and what application they made?—I can state the names of my daughters, but I cannot state the application they made.

344. You know about your own family?—Yes; I do not mean to hesitate about it.

345. State the names of your daughters, and the sums they are put down for? [*handing a copy of the deed to the Witness.—The deed was examined by the Witness.*]—I do not see them at all.

346. State generally from your recollection how many shares they had?—Upon my word, I do not recollect; I should not suppose they had more than five or ten a piece I think it may be.

347. I will give you an opportunity of correcting it; perhaps you are confusing their subscription to that deed with the subsequent?—O no!

348. What is the christian name of your two daughters?—Virginia, Julia, and Jane.

349. *Chairman.*] Which were the two that held the shares?—I do not know.

350. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are they of age?—Yes.

351. Were they of age at that time?—Yes.

352. You state that positively to the Committee?—Yes; I would not wilfully tell you wrong.

353. You are not positive of it?—It is only as to the youngest I have any doubt.

354. You are not positive which of the two had the shares?—Virginia and Julia.

355. Did they sign the deed?—No.

356. Did they pay their deposits?—Yes, certainly.

357. Who took the scrip?—I gave it to them myself, I imagine.

358. Did you pay for them out of your own means?—No, they themselves paid for them.

359. Who did?—They did.

360. Did you give them the scrip?—Yes.

361. Do you know what they did with it?—Sold it.

362. What for?—I do not know the price.

363. Did they sell them at a loss?—No.

364. At a premium?—Yes.

365. Do you mean to say you do not know what took place in your own family?—I mean to say that I, at their own request, gave them to a share-broker, who sold them.

366. What share-broker?—I cannot tell.

367. No!—No, because I did it through a friend.

368. What is the name of that friend?—Mr. Wilson.

369. Had they the means to pay for the scrip?—Yes; and I am proud to tell you they have earned their livings since they were 15 years of age.

370. *Chairman.*] Who is Mr. Wilson?—Mr. Effingham Wilson, bookseller, at the Royal Exchange.

371. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any sons?—No.

372. Have

372. Have you any relations that have shares, except your daughters?—Yes.

373. Who?—Henry Green of Cecil-street, in the Strand.

374. What is he?—He had 20 or 30: I believe, he is an accountant, I can hardly tell you; he has something to do with the Duchy of Lancaster Office.

375. Are you sure that he had not more than 20 or 30 shares?—I am sure he had not.

376. He is returned as a subscriber for 400?—It is very likely.

377. Had he any more than that?—No.

378. What other relations of yours had shares?—None; I have no other relations.

379. Were all the 22,000 and odd shares paid up ultimately?—Yes, they were; I can bring the bankers' book if necessary.

380. Can you state to the Committee any thing further, upon refreshing your memory, as to any means taken by the board of directors, or yourself, to ascertain the respectability of the parties who had the allotments?—I cannot.

381. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Had your mother-in-law any shares?—She had.

382. Mr. *Parkes.*] How many; you stated no other relations but your brother had any?—I beg to correct myself as far as that goes.

383. What had she?—Ten or twenty.

384. What is her name?—Elizabeth Willans.

385. Where does she live?—With me.

386. Who took her scrip?—It was done through the same channel.

387. At the same time?—Yes, I believe at the same time.

388. Were they sold at a loss?—I presume they were sold at a profit.

389. Did she sign the deed?—No, I do not think she did.

390. None of them were returned upon that list in consequence?—No.

391. Do you know who were the real purchasers of the shares?—No, I do not.

392. Have you any other relation who has any?—No, I have no other relation, and I have to apologize for that, for I did not recollect it.

393. Are there any other relations of your mother-in-law?—No.

394. Was there any further allotment of shares, after that day?—No, none after that day.

395. None preparatory to the board?—No.

396. By no minute will that appear?—No.

397. Pursuant to the prospectus and advertisement of this company, after getting a competent subscription, did you proceed to apply to Parliament for a Bill last session?—Yes.

398. You made a lodgment of the contract subscription list, and of all the plans, and proceeded through the Standing Order Committee?—Yes.

399. Was that Bill thrown out upon the second reading?—It was.

400. Did your company, after the loss of their Bill, appear as a competing line in the South Eastern and Dover Railway Committee?—It did.

401. By petition?—Yes.

402. What counsel represented it?—Mr. Boileau, and I believe Mr. Rotch, I am not certain whether Mr. Thesiger did or not.

403. Did not your company, as such competing line, contest the South Eastern Bill in Committee about a month?—Thereabouts.

404. Six or eight and twenty days?—Yes, about that.

405. You were examined as a witness?—Yes.

406. You then delivered in the cash account of your subscribers to your own company?—Yes.

407. To prove you had had a *bonâ fide* subscription?—Yes.

408. After you came out of the Committee and the passing of the South Eastern Bill which received the Royal Assent, what proceedings took place by your directors, to continue the company, or any new line of railway?—I am hardly able to give you the information upon that point, because at that time I was in the country on urgent business belonging to the company; but Mr. Smith, my colleague, appointed in the new company, can speak to that.

409. He attended the board and kept the minutes?—Yes.

410. Did you put out some new prospectuses?—Yes.

411. This is the third project?—Yes.

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412. Was not the first prospectus for a Kent Railway to Ramsgate, and branches to Maidstone and Sheerness?—Yes.

413. Is not that the first prospectus [*handing a paper to the Witness*]?—Yes.

[*The following paper was delivered in.*]

Kent Railway from London over the Greenwich Railway, *viâ* Dartford, Gravesend, Strood, Rochester, Chatham, Sittingbourne, Faversham and Canterbury, to Ramsgate, with branches to Maidstone and Sheerness. Capital 2,000,000*l.*, in 40,000 shares of 50*l.* each; deposit 2*l.* per share.

Provisional Directors:—Lieut. Col. Sir A. Leith Hay, K. C. C. S., M. P.; Charles Perkins, esq.; Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq., M. P.; Thomas Philpotts, esq.; William Pinney, esq., M. P.; Rowan Ronald, esq.; George Robert Rowe, esq., M. D.; Lieut. Col. Skerrett; Owen T. Alger, esq.; Henry Short, esq.; William Borradaile, esq.; John Rodway Stock, esq.; John Brothers, esq.; John Twells, esq.; Edward Hughes, esq.; Lieut. Col. Utterton; George Money, esq.; George Walter, esq.; Robert Page, esq.; John Yates, esq.

Bankers:—Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.

Standing Counsel:—Benjamin Rotch, esq.

Solicitors:—James Vallance, esq., A. H. M'Dougall, esq.

Secretaries:—William Green, esq., Colin Smith, esq.

The provisional directors feel it necessary to inform the subscribers that they have deemed it advisable to alter the terminus of the proposed railway from Dover to Ramsgate; the line will pass through Rochester, Canterbury, and other large towns in the county of Kent, and thus connect the metropolis with Ramsgate in a manner most advantageous to the public.

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The opinion of a Committee of the House of Commons on the proposed line is fully expressed in their Report to the House, which states that "It appears to be a line, which, as connecting the port of Ramsgate and other large towns in the county of Kent with London, and showing public advantages, may, for such purposes, entitle it to consideration."

On this suggestion, the directors have, after mature deliberation, resolved to make Ramsgate the terminus of their line, and they do so under a firm conviction that its growing importance as a harbour, and the ready access which is from thence afforded to a wide range of the opposite coasts of France and the Netherlands, amply entitle it to participate thus prominently in the improved system of communication now in course of adoption throughout the country.

In other respects the proposed enterprise presents no material variation from the plan originally submitted to the public. Running through a cultivated and densely peopled country, embracing in its course the Government depôt at Chatham, and communicating by branches with the towns of Maidstone and Sheerness, its advantages, as well in a national as in a commercial point of view, are too obvious to require comment, while the degree of local estimation in which it is held may be collected from the subjoined list of provincial committees, formed expressly to support it.

As an investment for capital, the directors conceive that this undertaking may vie with any similar project, for when it is borne in mind that the transit of passengers has been proved, before a Committee of the House of Commons, to be the most lucrative branch of railway revenue; and that, excluding all other modes of conveyance, upwards of 900,000 individuals passed during last year by water, between London, Gravesend, Margate and Ramsgate alone; some idea may be formed of the extent to which returns may fairly be expected to repay the construction of a railroad, through districts already abounding in every description of traffic, which an increased facility of intercourse is calculated to augment.

The capital required to carry into effect this great national work is estimated at 2,000,000*l.* sterling, the greater part of which has been provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late London and Gravesend, and London and Dover Companies, have been transferred to the present enterprise. It remains for the directors, therefore, only to add, that Mr. James Walker having undertaken to complete all the surveys, the subscribers may confide in the selection of the most eligible line, and in the establishment of a case for the ensuing session of Parliament, presenting in every respect the strongest claims to legislative protection and support.

Provincial Committees.

Greenwich:—F. G. Hamond, esq., Chairman; Mr. Collingwood, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Brown, Mr. B. Smith, Mr. Lear, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Breakspear, Mr. Franks. Solicitor, Robert Suter, esq.

Woolwich:—Mr. Edward Dell, Mr. George Warren Parsons, Mr. Robert H. Goddard, Mr. Thomas S. Burt, Mr. Jabez Edwards, Mr. James Longer, Mr. Alexander Blest, Mr. James Hubbard, Mr. John Stansfield, Mr. Robert Jolly, Mr. William Thunder, Mr. John Wright, Mr. Matthew Finch, Mr. Samuel Noble, Mr. J. S. Turner, Mr. Thomas Asslin. Solicitor, William Nokes, esq.

Dartford:—Solicitor, William Crawford Fooks, esq. Bankers, Messrs. Day & Son.

Gravesend:—Robert Pierce Cruden, esq., William Eagle, esq., John Smith, esq., Robert Coles Arnold, esq., Adam Park, esq., James Harmer, esq., alderman. Solicitor, John Matthews, esq. Bankers, Messrs. Scott, Hayward & Co.

Rochester and Chatham:—Hon. J. D. Bligh, Chairman; Rev. D. Joynes, William Browne, esq. (Chalk), Captain T. Baker, Mr. Bentley, Mr. W. H. Nicholson, Mr. Walter Hills, Mr. Friend

Friend Hoar, Mr. Michael Lock, Mr. Edward Wickham, Mr. William Gooding, Mr. John Oakley, Mr. John P. T. Rowe, Mr. John Lock, Mr. Samuel Newton, Mr. William Payne, Mr. William Stunt (Higham), Mr. James Edwards, Mr. John Fisher, Mr. John Rose Baker (Chalk), Mr. J. G. Bryant. Solicitor, Henry Prentis, esq. Bankers, Messrs. Day & Sons.

Sheerness:—Mr. William Fishenden, Mr. John Gorham, Mr. Arthur Kitt, Mr. William Robbins, Mr. Lewis Shrubsole, Mr. Thomas Webb, Mr. Francis Venable.

Sittingbourne and Milton:—Rev. J. Poor, D.D., W. C. Fairmain, esq., R. Hinde, esq., Rev. G. Simpson, Mr. J. Lake, Mr. William Gascoyne, Mr. R. Hinde, jun., Mr. D. T. Alston, Mr. C. Smith, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. T. T. Vallance, Mr. S. W. Shotter, Mr. H. Blaxland. Solicitor, Mr. J. Hinde. Bankers, Messrs. Vallance & Son.

Faversham:—Giles Hilton, esq., mayor, John Perkins, esq., alderman, E. J. Hilton, esq., Thomas Barnes, esq., William Rigden, esq., alderman, Mr. R. G. Stone, Mr. George Murton. Bankers, Messrs. Wright & Hilton.

Canterbury:—George Neame, esq., mayor, Henry Cooper, esq., alderman, Richard Halford, esq., O. Snoulton, esq., J. S. Browne, esq., Mr. S. Wright, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Ridout, William Masters, esq., alderman, Mr. J. Abbott, Mr. George Ash, Mr. Bewley, Mr. William Philpott, Mr. Jennings, Mr. H. Clements. Solicitor, Thomas Wilkinson, esq. Bankers, Messrs. Halford, Baldock & Snoulton, Messrs. Hammond, Plumptre, Parker & Furley.

Sandwich:—Daniel Hodgson, esq., Richard Emmerson, esq., Richard Harrison, esq., J. D. Stewart, esq. R. N, William Henry Rolfe, esq., James Dorman, esq. Solicitors, Messrs. Suffrage and Emmerson. Bankers, Messrs. Emmerson, Hodgson & Co.

Ramsgate:—Captain Hodges, Mr. Thomas Sparks, B. Bourdillon, esq., Mr. Richard Page, Richard Tomson, esq., Mr. Thomas Rammel, Mr. Samuel Sharwood, Mr. Robert Townley. Solicitor, John Mercer, jun. esq. Bankers, Messrs. Austen & Son, Messrs. Burgess & Son.

414. Of this company you became the joint secretary with Mr. Colin Smith?—Yes.

415. Was he the secretary of the company represented in that prospectus of which you stated you knew nothing?—Yes.

416. Were you in communication with Mr. Colin Smith, at the time he was secretary to that company?—Yes, frequently.

417. I thought you said you knew nothing about that prospectus or the company?—Neither do I.

418. Did you not know from Mr. Smith, that that company was got up for the purpose of a junction with your own?—I do not.

419. It contained a majority of your directors?—It contains a great many of them.

420. Does it not contain the great majority of them?—Yes.

421. And of the proceedings of that company you know nothing?—No.

422. You have had no communication with one another on the subject of railway business?—No.

423. Was there not to that company a second solicitor, Mr. M'Dougall?—Yes.

424. What period was it; it is not of much moment, he did appear in that prospectus in the character of a solicitor?—It is here.

425. Do you know who drew the prospectus of the company?—I do not.

426. You know nothing about it?—No, not the drawing it out.

427. It came out under your name?—Yes; but I have explained I was then absent from London; however I did not draw it up.

428. It came out in the names of the joint secretaries; did you not superintend the printing of that prospectus—look at it [*handing it to the Witness*]?—Yes.

429. Did you not correct the proof sheet of it?—I dare say I might.

430. Did you not do it?—I did.

431. Did you not superintend the printing of it, and correct the proof sheet?—No.

432. You said you did?—As regards the local committees I did, but not as regards the other part.

433. Have you any knowledge of the data upon which the estimates in this prospectus were put forward?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question as coming within the province of the Standing Orders Committee.

The *Chairman* stated that nothing relating to the Kent Railway Company was excluded from the investigation of this Committee.

Mr. *Parkes* stated that this was a point of the most important collateral inquiry.

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Mr. *Thesiger* was heard in reply, and referred the Committee to the allegation in the petition.

Mr. *Parkes* stated that there was an allegation in the petition of constant alterations of the estimate and the capital of the company.

The Committee-room was cleared.

After some time the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and the Chairman stated, that if Mr. Parkes thought it material to his inquiry, in the present stage of the proceedings, to proceed in that line of examination, the Committee would come to a decision upon it, whether he should or not do so; but that all he was at present instructed to say was, that if it was not material, Mr. Parkes could now proceed with the other allegations contained in the petition; and, whenever it was found material to pursue this course of examination, the Committee would decide upon it.

Mr. *Parkes* stated he did not consider it immediately material.

434. Mr. *Parkes.*] At the period of the issue of this prospectus, who was your engineer or surveyor?—There was not any appointed at that time. I beg your pardon; I perhaps had better read this minute before my last answer is given:—

At a meeting of the board of provisional directors of the Kent Railway Company, held at their office, No. 76, Cornhill, on Tuesday, the 29th April 1836;—present, John Twells, esq. in the chair, John Brothers, esq., Thomas Philpotts, esq., Lieut.-Colonel Skerrett, Henry Short, esq.; Mr. Vallance also in attendance;—Resolved, that in consequence of Colonel Landmann declining to appear before the Committee of the House of Commons, Mr. Walker be requested at his earliest convenience to make such survey of the country from London to the Kent coast, and the harbours, and every point affecting the facility of a ready communication with the Continent, as may enable him to determine upon and recommend a line embracing to the greatest extent the interests of the Government in its various departments, and of the intervening towns and country; that the secretary be instructed to wait immediately upon Mr. Walker with the above resolution, and to obtain his answer.

435. What date was that?—The 29th of April.

436. April last year?—1836.

437. Was it previously or subsequently to the issue of this prospectus?—I should say subsequently.

438. Had your board had any report of any engineer or surveyor of the cost of the extended line from the Greenwich Railway to Ramsgate, with branches to Maidstone and Sheerness?—Yes, I believe they had.

439. Whose was it?—Mr. Walker.

440. You stated that they had not?—No; not previously they had not.

441. You raised the shares from 30,000 to 40,000?—Yes.

442. And the price of the shares from 20 *l.* to 50 *l.*?—Yes.

443. This being a new project, an extension of one with an additional capital of 400,000 *l.*, what steps did your board take with regard to the shareholders in the preceding company?—They published an address, of which this is a copy.

444. What is that address?—"The directors of the London and Gravesend Railway Company and of the London and Dover Railway Company, being aware how fully Government is impressed with the great national importance of a rapid communication between London and the coast, have caused different surveys to be made, in order to ascertain the best possible line for a railway between those places, regard being had to population, revenue, and public benefit. Being satisfied that it will be for the advantage of the proprietors of both these companies that their interests should be consolidated in the intended application for an Act in the next session of Parliament, and anxious to continue to enjoy that confidence which has been hitherto reposed in them, the directors have been in negociation with the promoters of the new company, and have, subject to the approbation of the shareholders, made the following arrangement:—That the holders of certificates, either in the London and Gravesend, or the London and Dover Company, on which a deposit of 1 *l.* per share has been paid, shall have the option of receiving scrip certificates for 2 *l.* each, in exchange for two shares in either of the two companies, in the proposed new company; and also, that such of them as may wish to obtain a further interest in the new company, shall be allowed a preference, in proportion to the number of certificates which they may exchange, on making application to that effect at the office of the company, No. 76, Cornhill, on or before the 1st of May. Any proprietor who may prefer to have the deposit already made returned to him, may receive the same, after deducting a proportion of the expenses which have

have been incurred, so soon as the accounts can be made up and settled, of which notice will be given at the earliest opportunity, provided they express their intention in writing to the secretaries, No. 76, Cornhill, on or before the 22d April instant. By order of the boards, William Green and Colin Smith."

445. In pursuance of that resolution and advertisement, was there any exchange of shares?—Yes.

446. What was the difference made in the deposit, or did you give a number of shares in the new company proportionate to the number produced and money advanced?—For every two shares or certificates in the old company, we gave them one in the new.

447. Although the difference was between 20*l.* and 50*l.*?—There was 1*l.* in the old company's shares went in exchange for one of 2*l.* in the new.

448. Do you know what proportion of shares were exchanged?—The proportion of each company, or altogether, do you mean?

449. What number of shares of the preceding company passed into the new?—Of the Gravesend Company there were about 27,000 shares issued, and of the Dover——but I am really speaking without knowledge there, Mr. Smith will be able to state that; but as far as any communication he has made to me, there were about 4,000 or 5,000 shares issued there; that would make about 32,000 20*l.* shares; in that way the 32,000 have all been sent in, within 6,000 shares, making 3,000 in the new company.

450. They have all been sent in, except how many?—6,000 of old shares, equal to 3,000 new.

451. You have sent in about 26,000 or 27,000?—About that.

452. I put a question to you some time since, whether, in point of fact, more shares had not been issued by the Gravesend directors than the 22,269; now you say you think about 27,000 were sent in?—Yes; but that does not alter it; I am telling you the amount issued, and the amount paid into the bankers.

453. I want to know what appropriation was made of the number of shares, between the figures 22,000 and 27,000?—I do not know, I can only speak to the gross amount.

454. But the difference is considerable; how do you account for this?—I cannot explain further.

455. I pressed you whether any appropriation had been made after that day, and you stated there was not; you stated there were 22,269 shares allotted; you now state about 27,000 passed over to the existing company?—Yes; and I believe the difference, if it is so, must arise from the exchange of shares that the old shareholders and the old directors could claim.

456. In what way?—The original company of the Gravesend proprietors: you asked me whether they were exchanged in the new company; they were so, and that number will make up the difference.

457. No, it will not; because you said the number was about 1,000?—If I did, I did not do it intentionally.

458-9. You can come prepared to-morrow to state it accurately, because you ought to have the means of doing it accurately; have you any account of the 5,000 shares?

Chairman.] You fixed the 27,000 at 1*l.* a share, which was paid as deposits; that is, in the case of the second company; how do you account for the difference between the 27,000 shares and the 22,269?

Mr. *Parkes.*] Was the 1,000 accounted for, by passing over from the first to the second company; have you any register book?

Witness.] Yes.

460. You can come prepared to-morrow to make a return of the different shares turned over; did you receive the scrip from any person who brought it to you, and give him in exchange new scrip for the new company?—Yes.

461. At that time, how did you know the parties when they came with the scrip?—The way that is practised in my office is this, that any person bringing certificates, consequent upon this address or advertisement, to be exchanged from old to new scrip, they are generally asked their name, that we may register it upon the check part of the certificates: the old scrip is then taken, and the new scrip given for it, upon their signing the deed.

462. Have you got all the old scrip in the office?—Yes.

463. You can produce it?—Yes, and all that has been exchanged.

464. Produce

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464. Produce it to-morrow. Did you keep any record of the names and addresses of the persons who brought the old scrip, and exchanged it for the new?—No further than I have stated.

465. Did you keep any record, in any register book, of the persons, their place of abode, who exchanged old scrip for new?—No, except the certificate check.

466. Have you got it?—Yes.

467. Bring it to-morrow?—I believe they are here now.

468. Was that check-book, or any schedule of the names of the parties so exchanging their shares, communicated by you to the board at any time?—No.

469. Did you never schedule?—No.

470. Did you ever make an analysis of the variation in the names of the holders of the new scrip, as compared with the names who held the old scrip?—No.

471. I repeat the question, have you ever submitted to your board, as secretary, a schedule or list of such exchanges?—I think I can safely say I never have.

472. Do you not deem it part of your duty to do so?—No, I did not.

473. When the parties so exchanged their scrip, did they then sign the subscription deed of the new company?—Yes; they would not have the scrip without.

474. Was the subscription deed in your custody?—It was in the custody of the office; Mr. Lancaster, the accountant, generally had it.

475. Were you generally present, when they exchanged?—No, not always.

476. Were you several times?—Yes.

477. What description of persons were they?—Gentlemen of property and rank, I cannot say who they all were.

478. Point out any name of a gentleman of rank or property.—My name is to the deed whenever I was present.

479. I am speaking of the last deed?—[*The Witness produced the deed*].

480. Is that the entire deed?—No, it is only a portion of it, these are witnessed by the accountant [*the Witness produced another part of the deed*]; this is one.

481. Is this the part of the deed that you immediately witnessed?—Yes, it is; I saw every name signed where my initials are [*handing a part of the deed to Mr. Parkes.*]

482. Those are all your initials?—Yes.

483. There are no initials to the latter page and a half of the deed?—They were not signed in my presence.

484. Your initials close at the name of John Webb?—No, there are others.

485. The last name your initials are placed against is William Henry de Charm?—Yes.

486. What day was it?—Upon my word I cannot remember.

487. There was a something peculiar happened afterwards?—Yes, I know there was.

488. What day did you witness the last name?—I think it was the 13th of February.

489. Where were you, at the office?—No, I took it to that gentleman's house.

490. Did you not take it to many others?—No.

491. No others?—Yes, two others.

492. State who they were; first, what did Mr. De Charm sign for?—£. 2,500.

493. What did you take it to him for?—To sign the deed.

494. Who is he?—I think he is a managing clerk, or he is in Mr. Phillpotts' counting-house.

495. He is a clerk at Mr. Phillpotts'?—Yes.

496. How came you to take it to him?—Because he was an original proprietor in the Gravesend.

497. For how many?—I do not know.

498. How do you know he was an original shareholder?—Because he wrote for them, and had them appropriated to him.

499. What did you take it to him for?—Because I wanted some more names upon the deed.

500. Had you any conversation with him as to the amount?—No; I do not recollect any thing particular; he might say, "I think I had as much last year, I do not care about signing for," so and so.

501. Did he say so?—I rather think he did.

502. Will you say he did, positively?—Yes; but not in those words.

503. Did you not tell him you wanted further names to make up the deed for deposit?—Yes; I told you that before.

504. Had he exchanged any original shares he had, for new shares?—That I cannot say.

505. What further conversation had you with him?—There it ended; I was not with him three minutes.

506. Was he the first gentleman you went to?—No, the last.

507. Now begin at the first, and state what others you went to?—Mr. Wettenhall.

508. Did you go to Mr. James Wettenhall?—Yes, I did.

509. Who is he?—A stock-broker.

510. Where?—In Copthall-court.

511. Are you sure he is a stock-broker?—Yes.

512. How do you know?—He has told me so.

513. Have you any other reason?—No.

514. What did you say to him?—I asked him if he had any objection to sign the deed, I wanted some names, and he did sign it.

515. *Chairman.*] What was the observation in answer to your remark?—"I have no objection."

516. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you know him, before you went to him?—I have known him for years.

517. What passed between you and him about the sum he was to subscribe for?—I think he said, "Shall I sign for 10,000*l.* or 12,000*l.*," or whatever it was; he asked "what amount do you wish for?"

518. What did you say?—What is there—10,250*l.*

519. You intimated that sum to him?—Yes; I think I did.

520. Did he pay any deposit?—Not to me.

521. Where does he live?—Somewhere out in Lambeth, the address is there.

522. Who put the address; you or he?—I did not write the addresses.

523. Just come and look here; whose is this?—Mr. Wettenhall's.

524. Are you sure of that?—Yes.

525. It corresponds with his name?—Yes.

526. Have you a personal knowledge of it?—Yes.

527. Did you go to Mr. James Parke?—No.

528. Where did he sign?—He signed at the office.

529. Who is he?—I do not know; I beg to correct myself; the gentleman named, and the one below it, are clerks in the banking-house of Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co., where I obtained the signature.

530. *Chairman.*] What sums are they down for?
Mr. *Parkes.*] 3,550*l.*, and 3,550*l.*?
Mr. *Hill.*] What is the other name?
Mr. *Parkes.*] James Davis.

531. Did you go up to Messrs. Spooner & Attwood's bank, after you went to Mr. Wettenhall?—Yes.

532. Did you go to any other persons intermediately?—No.

533. Whom did you see at Messrs. Spooner & Attwood's?—I saw Mr. Twells.

534. Did you state to him your difficulty about the deed?—I did.

535. What did you tell him?—I said, that some of the gentlemen in that office were shareholders in the old company, and had he any objection to their signing this deed?

536. Will you state positively to the Committee, that you said they were shareholders in the late company?—Yes.

537. Will you state positively, that both these gentlemen were such shareholders?—Yes.

538. What did he say then?—He said he did not much like the thing, but he would ask them; he requested them to come, and told them what I wished.

539. Into his private counting-house?—In the banking-house, in a room close to the banking-house.

540. *Chairman.*] Was it a room adjoining the banking-house?—Yes, parted off by glass.

541. What did he say?—He said Mr. Green wishes to ask for your signature to the deed, and you had better hear his statement. I then told them what I wanted,

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wanted, and he said he must leave it to them to do as they pleased; they then signed it at my request.

542. Who settled the amount they should sign for?—I dare say I did.

543. Had you any knowledge of them before?—Yes.

544. What company were they shareholders in?—The Gravesend.

545. Had they sold their scrip?—Yes.

546. How do you know?—I asked them.

547. Then in point of fact they did not represent those shares in the old company?—No; I said they *were* shareholders.

548. At the time you obtained their signatures, had you a knowledge that they were not?—No; I did not know it till afterwards.

549. Had you any communication with them afterwards?—Yes; upon the spot where they signed it.

550. Did you go to Henry Rowley?—No, I did not; but I saw him notwithstanding.

551. Where did you see him?—At Mr. Hamond's office.

552. Where did you go to from Messrs. Spooner & Attwood's?—To my own office.

553. When did you see Mr. Rowley, and where?—I saw him the 14th of February, at Mr. Hamond's office.

554. What passed then?—I had the deed in my hand, and I told Mr. Hamond I had brought it, as he requested; that was seeing Mr. Rowley there, whom I did not know. Mr. Hamond said, "You will sign this for me, will you?" I put down the deed, and he signed it.

555. Who had any conversation with him about the sum he was to sign for?—I do not recollect there was any, except that which Mr Hamond said.

556. What sort of a looking man was he?—I should not know him if I was to see him.

557. Are you sure of that?—Yes.

558. Are you sure you cannot tell the Committee what kind of a looking man he was?—No, I cannot.

559. Do you not know that he was a very mean looking man?—I did not take notice, I never took notice.

560. Do you not know that he was in very mean apparel?—No, I do not.

561. To what amount did he sign for?—It is in the deed.

562. £. 10,500?—Yes.

563. Did you indicate the sum to him?—Very likely I might.

564. Between the time of your leaving Messrs. Spooner & Attwood's, and the signature by Henry Rowley, did you apply to any other parties to sign it?—No.

565. Not one?—No.

566. Are those all the names which on the 13th, or subsequently, you got to sign the deed?—Yes, but I am afraid of speaking that which is wrong.

567. *Chairman.*] Take the deed in your hand?

[*The Witness took the deed.*]

Witness.] Mr. De Charm, the name following Mr. Rowley, is the last person I saw sign the deed, or had any conversation with.

568. Mr. *Parkes.*] Look over the deed and say if there are any other besides those you have already mentioned, that you requested in like manner to sign the deed, on your representation?—Yes, previously there are a great many.

569. *Chairman.*] Now look upwards from the name of Rowley and De Charm, and say what persons you requested under similar circumstances to sign the deed, that is to say, without paying the deposit, and at your request?—Thomas Burt.

570. On what day?—I do not know the day.

571. Read the address?—Brewer, Woolwich, Kent, 2,500*l.*; William Noakes, solicitor, Woolwich, Kent, 2,500*l.*; Samuel Noble, builder, Woolwich, Kent, 3,500*l.*; Edward Dell, merchant, Woolwich, Kent, 2,100*l.*; Hendrick Goddard, Woolwich, Kent, 2,200*l.*; William Thunder, Woolwich, Kent, 2,100*l.*; Francis Bryett Grant, clerk, Dartford, Kent, 2,000*l.*; John Dunkin, printer, Dartford, Kent, 1,000*l.*; James Chipchase, gentleman, Dartford, Kent, 3,000*l.*; Richard Rogers Worthington Beard, gentleman, Cross House, Fawkham, 1,500*l.*; John Webb, gentleman, Dartford, Kent, 3,250*l.*; Charles Frederick Hammond, Blackheath, Kent, gentleman, 5,100*l.*; Alfred Joan Dunkin, printer, Dartford, Kent, 500*l.*;

500*l.*; Richard Ireland, gentleman, Canonbury, 5,100*l.*; William Austin, 37, Chancery-lane, gentleman, 25,000*l.*; Thomas Samuel Nevill, 35, Mansell-street, Goodman's-fields, gentleman, 25,000*l.*; Robert Marsden, 75, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square, Royal Navy, 5,200*l.*; Effingham Wilson, No. 3, South-street, gentleman, 10,200*l.*; Thomas Hathway, Albany-road, Camberwell, gentleman, 10,400*l.*; George Price, Rose-place, Mile-end, gentleman, 25,000*l.*; William Andrews, Dulwich, Surrey, gentleman, 12,500*l.*; Effingham Wilson, junior, 14, Finsbury-circus, gentleman, 5,500*l.*; Richard Ireland, junior, Canonbury, gentleman, 5,100*l.*; Eliza Willans, New Kent-road, widow, 4,500*l.*; Virginia Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 4,000*l.*; James Kennaby, New Kent-road, gentleman, 5,000*l.*; Jane Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 5,250*l.*; Julia Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 5,250*l.*; John Brown, Peckham, gentleman, 10,250*l.*" That is all.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Dugdale.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Forster.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Daniel Gaskell.	Mr. Young.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ. IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *William Green,* called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

[*The Witness made the following Statement:*]

MR. *Parkes* asked me a question, upon producing the Dover prospectus whether I knew anything about it; I stated I did not.

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572. Mr. *Parkes.*] And you repeated that statement?—I did; and, as regards the prospectus, I was correct; but I certainly did know of the advertisement, which I assisted in drawing out; it occurred at my office one afternoon, the date of which I do not know, about half-past four o'clock.

573. *Chairman.*] Read the advertisement?—I have it not.

574. State the general purport of it?—It was at the solicitation of Mr. Walter. Mr. Walter and Mr. Brothers came into my office, stating that they wished to form a railway company to Dover, and asked whether I would assist them in drawing out an advertisement; I did so, and Mr. Walter took it away, and returned with Mr. Colin Smith, who was asked to sign it as secretary *pro tem.;* it was taken away from the office, and I heard nothing more on the subject. That is all I have to say upon that subject. The next mistake I unintentionally made, refers to taking the traffic.

575. Mr. *Parkes.*] On what?—The Gravesend road for the Gravesend Company: I stated I did it myself; instead of which I should have said, that when I was the secretary to the London, Folkestone, Dover and Continental Railway, I had employed myself in taking traffic for that Company; the solicitor to that company not being sufficiently acquainted with me, did not choose to adopt the returns I offered him, without confirmation, and he introduced Mr. Yates, the present secretary of the South Eastern Company to me, for the purpose of going through the county to check what I had done, and to gain fresh information; the result of that was a set of tables, formed to the satisfaction of Mr. Yates, copies of which I have fortunately found, that I did not know I possessed, which are here [*producing a book.*] Upon leaving the Dover Company, I furnished myself with copies of this, previously to my leaving them, and the result of my calculations for the Gravesend Company I took from these documents. The only other correction I have to make, is in answer to an inquiry of Mr. Parkes, which he desired me to furnish him with this morning; it is relative to the distribution of shares:

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shares: by the minute book of the Gravesend Company, 22,269. On the day in question, 22,269 were distributed.

576. Mr. *Parkes.*] On what day?—The day stated before: to which are to be added the old subscribers to the first Gravesend Company, 1,940 shares; paid by the directors, 2,800; the shares afterwards distributed and paid for, 1,020; which gives the total of the whole; the total number of shares so disposed of is 28,000 and odd; the difference between the 28,000 and the sum paid into the bankers, arises from the shares distributed, but not paid upon; which will be proved by the bankers' book.

577. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are those all the corrections you wish to make in your evidence of yesterday?—Yes, that is all at present; I do not know of any other.

578. *Chairman.*] What is the date of the newspaper in which that advertisement appeared respecting the Dover?—I do not know.

579. Mr. *Parkes.*] In regard to these corrections in your evidence of yesterday, taking first the correction as to the Dover prospectus, is that the advertisement you refer to? [*handing a paper to the Witness.*]—Oh, no; I do not see it here; it is the South Eastern.

580. Is that what you refer to? [*pointing to another part of the paper. The Witness read the advertisement.*]—As far as my memory serves me, it is.

581. *Chairman.*] What is the newspaper, and what is the date of it?—The Dover Chronicle, of the 5th of November 1835.

582. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did I understand you, that you drew that prospectus for those two gentlemen?—Only the advertisement.

583. Who gave you the particulars of the number of shares, the deposits, and the names?—I believe, Mr. Walter and Mr. Brothers.—

[*The advertisement was read as follows:*]

"London and Dover Railway, being a continuation of the London and Greenwich and Gravesend Railways, to be incorporated by Act of Parliament.

"The London and Greenwich Railway being nearly finished, and the whole of the capital necessary to complete the Gravesend Railway being subscribed, a continuation of this line to Dover presents advantages so evident that any enlargement thereon is unnecessary. The line has been surveyed. It is intended to pass near Meopham, Maidstone, Ashford and Folkestone, to Dover, with a branch to Canterbury. To accomplish this railroad, it is proposed that the sum of one million sterling be raised in 20,000 shares of 50*l.* each; deposit, 1*l.* per share.

"The following gentlemen have been appointed provisional directors, with power to add to their number:

"Colonel Leith Hay, M.P.; William Pinney, esq., M.P.; George R. Rowe, esq., M.P.; Captain Henry Jones; Robert Page, esq.; George Walter, esq.; R. D. Neave, esq.; O. T. Alger, esq.; John Brothers, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; Thomas Phillpotts, esq.; Alexander M'Dougall, esq.

"Bankers, Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.; Engineer, George Landmann, esq.; Superintendent of Works, John Herapath, esq.; Solicitor, James Vallance, esq.

"London and Dover Railway.

"Notice is hereby given, that no application for shares in this undertaking will be received after 10 o'clock on the morning of Tuesday next, the 10th instant. The appropriation will be made, and letters sent out on Friday the 13th instant.

"By order of the Board,

"82 Cornhill, 5 November 1835. "*Colin Smith*, Secretary."

—The body of the advertisement is mine, but nothing else; I know nothing of the directors.

584. Attend quietly; you mean, from the information of those gentlemen, accompanied by Mr. Colin Smith, you drew that advertisement?—I did; Mr. Smith was not present after I drew out the advertisement; Mr. Smith was introduced to me by Mr. Walter; I had nothing to do but with regard to the body of it.

585. Had you anything to do with the insertion of it?—No.

586. *Chairman.*] You left blanks for the names to be filled in?—Yes.

587. Mr. *Parkes.*] What time elapsed between the publication of this advertisement in November 1835 and the consolidation of the two companies?—The 12th of April 1836 was the first notice I had of it.

588. Between

588. Between November 1835 and April 1836, previously to the minute which consolidates the two directions, do you mean to say you had had no information or communication, as to the objects of this company, with any one?—None whatever.

589. Notwithstanding you were secretary to the other board?—I was totally distinct from it.

590. And you had no communication with Mr. Colin Smith, or any of your directors, who were directors of the other line, upon the subject?—Not at all.

591. The subject was never mentioned?—Not at all.

592. You were in frequent communication, you stated, during that period, with Mr. Colin Smith?—Yes.

593. You met him most days?—Yes.

594. And though he was the secretary of the other line, and you of this, you had no communication with him upon this subject?—Not on the business of the two companies.

595. Did you not know the object of that line of railway?—No more than the prospectus tells me.

596. Now, on the subject of the second correction, the traffic; what is the book you referred to?—It is marked, "Calculations and Estimates of Revenue arising from Traffic on the London, Maidstone, Dover and Folkestone Railway."

597. Where was this book copied?—At the Dover Railway office, when I was secretary.

598. Is it not one of the books belonging to that company?—Oh no, certainly not.

599. Do you not know you had a difference with that company, upon the subject of communicating, to this company to which you now belong, statistical materials from that other office?—No, I do not know it.

600. From what part of this book did you get the statistics that formed your prospectus for the Gravesend Company?—From all parts of it, such as applied to the Gravesend Railway Company.

601. What parts of it applied to the Gravesend Railway Company?—The calculation of the passengers by coach to and from London, Dover and Folkestone, as far as Gravesend; I took that portion of it.

602. Did you not repeatedly assert, in answer to questions of mine, you had taken the traffic yourself upon going to the different offices?—So I did.

603. When?—Previous to this period.

604. Were the whole of the statistics in that book prepared by you?—No.

605. Many of them?—Yes, many of them.

606. Which?—Assisted by Mr. Yates, the whole of them.

607. *Chairman.*] Which of the estimates in that book were prepared by you?—I cannot precisely answer your question; they are so mixed up, I cannot do it.

608. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who made this copy for you?—Mr. Lancaster.

609. From what?—My rough notes and memorandums.

610. Where?—At my office.

611. Where are those minutes and memoranda?—I have not got them.

612. None of them?—None.

613. What time did he make this copy?—I cannot tell; I do not know.

614. Now, as to the distribution of the shares, am I correct that you stated yesterday that the distribution of 22,269 was made in one morning, from a schedule of the applications made out by you and laid before the directors?—As far as my memory serves me, it was.

615. Have you brought that schedule with you?—I have.

616. Produce it?

[*The Witness produced it, and it was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

617. *Chairman.*] What is the book entitled?—"Original lists of applications for shares in the London and Gravesend Railway."

Mr. *Parkes* applied that the book should be transcribed on the short-hand notes, and Mr. *Thesiger* not objecting to the same, it was delivered in.

618. On what day were the 2,800 shares appropriated to the directors? [*the Witness referred to the minute book.*]—I cannot find it at this moment.

 619. From

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619. From whom did you get the information to correct your evidence of yesterday, as to the 2,800 shares?—From Mr. Lancaster, the accountant.

620. Did he give you the date on that memorandum?—No.

621. At present, I will trouble you to find the day on which they were appropriated; have you no recollection, as secretary, how they were appropriated; was it by a minute and vote of the directors?—Yes, I think it was.

622. Can you find a list of the gentlemen to whom they were appropriated?—Yes [*the Witness searched in the book*]; I cannot find it.

623. Is Mr. Lancaster here?—Yes, he is.

624. He can find it: you have the bankers' book here?—Yes.

625. How do you know those shares were paid for; you say they were distributed and paid for?—By the bankers' book.

[*Mr. Lancaster found the part of the book alluded to.*]

626. Read the names of the gentlemen?—George Robert Rowe, esq., doctor of medicine, shares appropriated to him 50, and 250, upon which he paid 50*l.* and 100*l.*; the next is Thomas Eyre Wyche, esq., 300 shares appropriated, paid upon the same amount, 300*l.*; Lieutenant-Colonel Utterton, 300 appropriated, 50 paid upon; John Twells, esq., 300 appropriated and 300 paid upon; Robert Sutton, junior, esq., 300, and 300 paid upon; Lieutenant-Colonel Skerrett, 300 appropriated, nothing paid upon; Thomas Phillpotts, esq., 300, paid 300; Charles Perkins, esq., 300 appropriated, nothing paid; Robert Page, esq., 300 appropriated, 300 paid upon; Richard Digby Neave, esq., 300 appropriated, nothing paid; John Moxon, esq., 300 appropriated, 300 paid upon; Captain Henry Jones, 300, 50 paid upon; John Brothers, esq., 300 appropriated, 100 paid upon; William Borradaile, esq., 300 appropriated and 300 paid upon; Captain Henry Jones, 50, 50 paid upon; that seems to be all.

627. You do not know the amount of money that those payments amount to?—£.1 a share.

628. How much in gross?—I have omitted one name, George Walter, esq., 300 appropriated, not any paid.

629. Have you omitted anybody else?—No, I do not think I have; I have gone over it again.

630. What is the date of that appropriation?—I do not know the date.

631. You have not looked at the minute?—I do not think the minute will tell; they are paid in at different dates.

632. I understood you to say they are appropriated by a minute of the board?—Yes.

633. And that can be found by Mr. Lancaster?—Yes.

634. What became of the shares not paid up?—Nothing has been done with them at all.

635. Was any scrip given in respect of them?—No; no scrip was given, except for deposits paid.

636. You are certain of it?—Yes.

637. You have stated that the gross cash amount received was twenty-eight thousand some odd hundred pounds?—No: I stated 28,000 shares were distributed, upon which 27,000*l.* was paid.

638. Did you not state that the sum of 29,000*l.* and upwards had been received for shares in this company, in your evidence before the South Eastern Committee last year?—I cannot charge my memory with it.

639. Did you not state that 29,401*l.* had been received? [*handing a printed paper to the Witness.*]—Yes.

640. Will you be prepared to-morrow to give the Committee an exact account of the number of shares that were really issued and paid upon, or were any issued that were not paid upon?—I will do so.

641. You say that the difference arises from shares distributed, and not paid upon; what do you mean by that?—The appropriation of shares.

642. What do you mean by appropriation?—Shares delivered by letters of appropriation to the parties requiring them, desiring them to pay in the deposit.

643. I again ask you, whether any scrip was ever issued from your office not paid for?—I am sure of it.

644. Not a single share?—No.

645. It could not have been done without your knowledge?—No.

646. You stated yesterday you obtained the signature of certain parties whose names

names you read over from the deed; what day or days was it you obtained those signatures?—I presume that alludes to the whole deed.

647. *Chairman.*] You gave a list reckoning upwards from Mr. Rowley?—It was on the 13th and 14th.

648. On those days you obtained the signature of those names you read to us yesterday?—Yes.

649. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you any board meeting on those days?—Yes.

650. Both days?—No, the 14th only.

651. What was the preceding board day?—We met once a week, every Tuesday.

652. Take the book, and see what meeting you had upon those days, or the days immediately preceding?—The meeting previous to the 14th was held on the 7th of February.

653. Were the directors in the habit of coming frequently to the office, though there was no board?—No; I have never known them: one or two might call in.

654. Who has ever called promiscuously?—I should say Mr. Brothers.

655. He is a very zealous man?—He is very attentive.

656. Mr. Walter?—Very seldom.

657. On what day did you receive Mr. James Walker's estimate?—I have not received any myself.

658. What do you mean by not having received any estimate from him?—Because I never have had it.

659. Has it never come before the board?—Not in my presence.

660. To your knowledge?—Not to my knowledge.

661. Who will have any knowledge upon that subject?—I presume Mr. Smith, my colleague.

662. When was it you first heard of the estimate being given in?—Monday morning the 13th of February.

663. Who from?—Mr. Smith.

664. Anybody else?—No.

665. What passed between you and Mr. Smith upon that occasion?—To the best of my recollection, he said, we have got an increased capital of 3,000,000*l.*, which will require 500,000*l.* more to the deed; and that is all that occurred then.

666. What occurred afterwards?—That we felt it necessary to try and get subscriptions.

667. *Chairman.*] Who felt?—Mr. Smith and myself.

668. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you communicate with any of the directors at the time?—No.

669. Or the solicitor?—No.

670. With none of them?—No, not till the Tuesday afternoon, when we met in committee, on the 14th.

671. Did you see none of the directors in the meantime?—Not any.

672. I thought you said you saw Mr. Twells at his counting-house?—That was to ask for his signature.

673. Did you not see Mr. Twells, though you have said you had seen no director?—Yes.

674. Did you see Mr. Phillpotts?—Yes.

675. When you got the signature of his clerk?—Yes.

676. What passed between you and him?—Nothing.

677. Did nothing pass between you upon the subject of getting 500,000*l.* additional to the deed?—When I saw him at the committee.

678. Not at any other time?—No.

679. What passed between you when you went and asked for the signature of his clerk?—He did not know of it.

680. What passed between you and Mr. Phillpotts when you saw him on that occasion?—I was communicating with him upon the subject of the petitions to be delivered to The King with regard to Greenwich Park.

681. You had not a word with him upon the other subject?—No.

682. You did not refer to what you were about in getting other names to the deed?—Not at all.

683. You state that positively?—I would swear to it, if necessary.

684. Where did you find him?—In his private room.

685. Where

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685. Where did you find the clerk?—In the office.

686. What passed between you and him upon the subject of the signature?—As nearly as I can recollect, I said, "Mr. De Charm, you are an old shareholder in this company, I wish you would oblige me by signing the deed;" he said he did not much like to do it, but, at my request, he did.

687. Did he refer previously to Mr. Phillpotts?—No.

688. Where was Mr. Phillpotts at the time?—In his own private room.

689. In the counting-house?—In the adjoining room.

690. Had you any conversation with Mr. Phillpotts at that time upon the subject of the subscription list?—None whatever.

691. What number of shares had the clerk before?—He did hold 100 shares in the Gravesend.

692. Did he exchange them in the Kent, or had he sold them?—I do not know.

693. Will not the books tell?—Yes.

694. Just look at the alphabetical list, and see whether you find his name [*handing a list of the subscribers to the Gravesend, Dover and Kent Railway to the Witness*]?—His name does not appear here.

695. Did he take his shares and pay for them?—Yes; I can show it you here in the bankers' book.

696. Find out by to-morrow whether his shares were exchanged by himself or any other party?—I will; here it is in the book as paid in.

697. What is Mr. De Charm's christian name?—William M. They were originally appropriated to James Walley, esq., who declined taking them, and they were then presented to Mr. De Charm.

698. Where did you take the signature of Charles Frederick Hamond?—In my own office.

699. Did you send for him?—No, I did not.

700. Who is he?—The son of Frederick Hamond.

701. Was he sent to you?—Yes.

702. Who by?—I presume, by his father.

703. Was it at your request?—Yes.

704. Did you see his father upon the subject?—Yes, I did.

705. What day?—I presume it must have been the 13th, I saw him.

706. What passed between you and Mr. Hamond?—I asked if he had any objection to allow his son to sign the deed.

707. What else passed?—Nothing more; he gave his assent.

708. To any amount?—No.

709. Did you ask him about the signatures of any other parties?—No.

710. You are sure of that?—I am certain.

711. Do you know the age of the young man?—I believe he is 21 or 22; I do not know it.

712. Who told you so?—I believe, his father.

713. Did you ask him, at the time this affair became public?—No.

714. When did you ask him?—At that time.

715. Where did you obtain the signature of William Austin?—At the office.

716. At what office?—76, Cornhill.

717. Did you send for him?—No.

718. Who sent him to you?—I do not know.

719. What sort of a looking person was he?—A gentlemanly-looking man.

720. Are you sure of that?—Yes.

721. What age was he?—I do not know.

722. Do you know anything of him?—No.

723. Have you heard anything of him since?—No.

724. What did he sign for?—£.25,000.

725. Did he look as if he was of age?—I thought so; I did not ask the question.

726. Do you recollect the circumstance of his coming?—Yes, I do.

727. Was he alone when he came?—No.

728. Who was with him?—Another gentleman.

729. Did you know him?—No; he signed it the same time.

730. What was his name?—Mr. Neville.

731. Get the deed, and see how he is described?—Thomas Samuel Neville, 35, Mansell-street, Goodman's-fields, 25,000*l.*

732. Mr. William Austin is the gentleman I want, immediately above him?—William Austin, Chancery-lane, gentleman, 25,000 *l.*

733. Are you quite sure Mr. Neville came with him?—Yes; I am pretty sure; he signed at the same time.

734. Just refresh your memory about William Austin?—I cannot say more than I have told you.

735. Are you sure you did not go to him?—Yes.

736. Had you had any communication with anybody upon the subject of his signing?—I am sure I had not.

737. What sort of a looking person was he?—That I cannot say.

738. You said he was a genteel looking person?—As well as my recollection serves me.

739. You cannot be certain as to all these persons?—No; of course I cannot among so many.

740. Mr. Neville, as you call him, came with him?—Yes; I am pretty sure he did.

741. Do you know anything of him?—No, nothing whatever.

742. Who is Mr. Effingham Wilson?—A friend of your's; a bookseller at the Royal Exchange.

743. He is an old acquaintance of mine, certainly; what has he?—£. 10,200.

744. Did you get his signature?—Yes.

745. Did you ask him the amount?—Yes, I did.

746. When did you get the signature of his son for 4,500 *l.*?—The 14th of February.

747. The same day as his father?—No.

748. At what place did you get the father's signature?—At the office.

749. Did you write to him to come?—No; I called upon him.

750. How did you get the signature of the son?—By asking him.

751. Did you ask him to allow his son to come?—Yes.

752. Is he of age?—Yes. Thirty years of age, I should think.

753. What is the son?—A bookseller and stationer.

754. Is he not a clerk to his father?—No. He lives in King William street, London-bridge.

755. And has a separate establishment?—Yes, totally distinct.

756. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Did he live in King William-street at that time?—Yes.

757. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is "R. Ireland, gent.," the first Mr. Ireland?—He is a gentleman living at Canonbury.

758. How did he give his address?—Richard Ireland, Canonbury, 4,500 *l.*

759. Did he give that address?—Yes.

760. What is the other?—He is the son of the former.

761. What is Mr. Ireland?—Mr. Ireland is connected with some of the Brazilian Mining Companies, and his son is one of the cashiers in Messrs. Masterman's banking-house.

762. How did you get their signatures?—By asking them.

763. Were they ever clerks in an attorney's office?—Not to my knowledge.

764. Have you known them any time?—Twenty years.

765. Where did you get their signatures?—At my office.

766. Had they been shareholders in the other company?—Yes; the Gravesend Company.

767. Did they exchange the scrip?—I do not know. They paid for it. I do not know that they exchanged it.

768. Who is Elizabeth Willans?—My mother-in-law.

769. Who is Virginia Green?—My daughter.

770. Who is Jane Green?—My daughter.

771. Who is Julia Green?—My daughter.

772. You have three daughters?—I have.

773. Is not one of them married?—Yes.

774. Who to? [*the Witness hesitated.*] Come, come!—I implore you, whatever you do with me, spare my children.

775. I must know what you have been doing. Who is she married to?—Mr. Kennaby.

776. How do you account for her signing in her maiden name, being married?—It was my act; at my request.

 777. Who

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777. Who is Mr. Kennaby?—He is in business, living at 4, Carlton-terrace, New Kent-road.

778. Which is the married one that signs in her maiden name?—Jane.

778* Read the description of all those five parties given in the deed?—" New Kent-road; Eliza Willans, New Kent-road, 4,500*l.*; Virginia Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 4,000*l.*; James Kennaby, New Kent-road, 5,000*l.*; Jane Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 5,250*l.*; Julia Green, New Kent-road, spinster, 5,250*l.*

779. Now let me see the deed; who made the transcript of the deed for the Private Bill office?—Mr. Lancaster.

780. All those persons appear there as in the New Kent-road, in the county of Kent?—Yes.

781. Is it in Kent?—I think so; no, it is a mistake; it is in Surrey.

782. Did you fix all those several sums for which they subscribed?—I did.

783. Who is Mr. Chipchase?—At Dartford.

784. What is he?—He is in Mr. Fookes' office, the solicitor there.

785. Is he not a clerk in the office?—I do not know him.

786. Who got his signature?—Mr. Fookes.

787. What other signatures did he get?—Alfred John Dunkin, printer, Dartford, Kent; John Webb, gentleman, Dartford, Kent.

788. How much?—£. 3,250.

789. What is he?—He is described here as a gentleman.

790. Do you know what he is besides being a gentleman?—I am unable to tell you.

791. Did you accompany him?—Partly.

792. To whom did you accompany him?—The vicar, at Dartford.

793. Who else?—I called at other houses, but they were not at home.

794. What sort of houses?—Very respectable; but who they were I do not know. I called at two houses.

795. Who is the vicar?—Mr. Francis Bridges Grant, 2,000*l.*

796. How many thousand pounds did Mr. Fookes obtain for you on that day, and what day; was it the 13th or the 14th?—It was before then.

797. How long before; look at the period in relation to those other parties?—I cannot say how long it was before; it was before, because I was on a journey home from the county of Kent.

798. *Chairman.*] As nearly as you can, tell how long before was it?—Two or three days.

799. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you at that time wanting further subscriptions?—A few.

800. Is that Mr. Fookes the gentleman advertised as your solicitor, William Crawford Fookes?—Yes.

801. How many thousands did he procure for you?—£. 11,250.

802. Were any of the deposits paid in?—I do not think they were.

803. Do you not know they were not?—No, I do not know.

804. *Chairman.*] What is your belief?—My belief is that they were not paid.

805. Mr. *Parkes.*] Upon this perambulation into Kent, how many more signatures can you inform us of having been obtained by yourself?—There are an amazing number; about one-half of the deed is mine.

806. How many days were you out?—I was not out for the purpose of this deed except that day.

807. I am speaking with reference to the last two or three days, the 13th and 14th?—I went out of town the 14th, after the committee broke up.

808. State what names you have attested, beginning at the first after that meeting?—There are no names I have attested after that meeting on the 14th; that was the last time I attested any signatures at all.

809. What day was it you communicated with Mr. Fookes in regard to those further subscriptions that you say you wanted?—Upon my word, I cannot tell.

810. Just refresh your memory, and see if you cannot tell?—It could not have been a week before; I had been so often down before, I cannot tell.

811. Cannot you tell by your petty cash book?—Yes.

812. Just tell us your history for ten days before the 14th, in regard to travelling, where you went to?—Between the 6th of February to the 12th in the evening, I returned from a journey to Woolwich, Sittingbourne, Canterbury, Ramsgate

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Ramsgate, Deal, Dover, Sheerness, Rochester, Dartford and Gravesend, to obtain petitions to The King by order of the committee on the 7th instant.

813-4. Being out to obtain petitions to The King, did you take the opportunity of collecting a few subscribers?—That date I have just read was the time I took it.

815. Just begin with the first name in that journey which you procured, and go on to the last of them?—William Noakes, solicitor, Woolwich, Kent, 2,500*l.*; you had them all yesterday.

816. Those are the names you procured on that journey?—Yes.

817. You are wholly ignorant of anything respecting William Austin, or who he represents?—I am.

818. Or what he is in Chancery-lane, except being a gentleman?—I do not know anything of him.

819. Who is Mr. Hathaway, gentleman, 10,500 *l.*?—He is an old friend of mine, living under the Royal Exchange, and keeping a newsvender's shop.

820. Did you send to him?—Yes.

821. What passed between you and him?—I asked him, as a favour, to sign the deed, knowing he had been a large holder of shares in the Gravesend Railway.

821. How many shares had he held?—I do not know; he was continually buying and selling.

823. Had he exchanged his scrip?—He has not.

824. Have they been exchanged in any other person's name?—They have not.

825. Can you state that positively?—I do not know. I should say he had not.

826. Do you know the amount he subscribed for in the Gravesend?—No, not from memory.

827. Do you know that he subscribed only 1,500 *l.* in the Gravesend?—Yes, I do.

828. You remember it now?—If it is there, I dare say it was so.

829. Did he pay you the deposit on the 10,500 *l.*?—No.

830. Had he any objection to sign it?—No.

831. He immediately signed it?—Yes.

832. Did you fix the sum?—Yes, I did.

833. Who is Mr. George Price, gent., 25,000 *l.*?—He is secretary to the Salisbury, Exeter, Plymouth, and Falmouth Railway Company.

834. Do you deem him a person responsible for the 25,000 *l.*?—I take him to be respectable.

835. Do you hold him to be responsible for 25,000 *l.*?—I do not know anything of his means.

836. How came you across him?—I applied to him, as I did to others. I took him the deed, and stated I was pressed for subscriptions, and asked him to sign to that amount, and he very kindly did.

837. What did you know of him?—Nothing.

838. Had you ever seen him before?—Yes.

839. When?—Very often at his own office.

840. On business matters?—Yes; not with him.

841. Had he signed the deed before in the Gravesend Company?—No.

842. Did he object to sign?—No; he was a little startled at first.

843. What did he say?—He said it was a large sum.

844. What did you say in answer?—I do not know what I might say; I do not recollect.

845. *Chairman.*] What does the deed bind him to?—To the amount of the deposits they may choose to pay.

846. Mr. *Parkes.*] And a little more, does not it?—I do not know.

[*The following document was handed in.*]

"This Indenture, made the fourteenth day of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, between Sir Andrew Leith Hay, of Eaton-square, in the county of Middlesex, K.C.C.S.; Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, of Rossall Hall, in the county of Lancaster, esquire; William Pinney, of Charlton House, Somerton, in the county of Somerset, esquire; George Robert Rowe, of Chigwell, in the county of Essex, doctor of medicine; Owen Tickell Alger, of Bedford-row, in the county of Middlesex, esquire; William Borradaile, of Balham-hill, in the county of Surrey, esquire; John Brothers, of Leamington, in the county of Warwick, esquire; Edward Hughes, of Smeath-hill, near Ashford, in the county of Kent, esquire; George Money, of Muchmarcle, in the county of Hereford, esquire; Robert Page, of Somerton,

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Somerton aforesaid, esquire, of the first part; Charles Perkins, of Mark-lane, in the city of London, esquire; Thomas Phillpotts, of Park-street, in the city of Westminster, esquire; Rowan Ronald, of Upper Berkeley-street, in the said county of Middlesex, esquire; Joseph Marcus Annesley Skerrett, of Knockhold, in the said county of Kent, a lieutenant-colonel; Henry Short, of Oxford-terrace, in the said county of Middlesex, esquire; John Rodway Stock, of Upper Baker-street, Regent's-park, in the said county of Middlesex, esquire; John Twells, of Gracechurch-street, in the city of London, esquire; John Utterton, of Heath Lodge, Croydon, in the county of Surrey, esquire, a lieutenant-colonel; George Walter, of East Dulwich, in the county of Surrey, esquire; and John Yates, of Rochester, in the said county of Kent, esquire, of the second part; and the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed and seals affixed, of the third part; witnesseth that the several persons, parties hereto, do hereby respectively acknowledge and declare that they have subscribed the several sums set opposite to their respective names, for the purpose of making and establishing a railway, to be called the Kent Railway, commencing in the parish of St. Alphage, Greenwich, or St. Paul, Deptford, in the county of Kent, by a junction with the London and Greenwich Railway, and terminating at or near Ramsgate, Sandwich, Deal or Dover, in the said county of Kent, or all or either of them, through such parishes, townships or places, and by such course or line as shall be approved of and adopted by the persons who in and by a certain deed or subscription agreement, bearing even date herewith, are appointed a provisional committee, and by the persons who have since or may at any time hereafter be appointed a committee, trustees or directors for carrying the said undertaking into effect, with branches to Maidstone and Sheerness, in the said county of Kent, and with such other branches from the said railway to any places or works lying at a distance not exceeding three miles from the main railway by such course or line respectively, as may by such committee, trustees or directors be deemed expedient, together with proper and convenient warehouses, wharfs, stations, landing-places, bridges and other works and conveniences to such railways and branches respectively, the same respectively to be made, constructed, established and conducted in such manner as shall be provided for by an Act or Acts of Parliament to be applied for in the next Session of Parliament, or in case such Act or Acts shall not be applied for, or if applied for shall not be obtained in the next Session, then by such Act or Acts as shall or may be applied for and obtained in any subsequent Session of Parliament, in which Act or Acts it is intended to introduce a clause to prevent the several subscribers to and proprietors of shares in the said undertaking, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators and assigns from being liable in any event for any larger or other sum than that which has been so subscribed by each of them as aforesaid. And the said several persons, parties hereto, do hereby respectively give and grant unto the committee, trustees or directors so appointed and to be appointed as aforesaid, full power and authority to select and fix upon and from time to time to alter and vary, as well the site or spot at which the said intended railway shall commence, as the site or spot at which it shall terminate, and also the intermediate course or line thereof, and the parishes, townships and places through which the same shall pass, and also from time to time to determine what branches shall be made therefrom, and to fix upon and from time to time to alter and vary the extent and situation of the warehouses, wharfs, landing-places, stations and other works and conveniences thereto respectively belonging, and to make or renew applications to Parliament for all or any of such purposes from time to time as they in their discretion shall think proper, and to abstain from making any application to Parliament in the ensuing Session (if they shall consider it expedient to do so), and to postpone such application for such periods as they shall think fit, and to confine the application to Parliament in the next or any future Session to the main line, or to any portion of the main line only, or to any portion of the main line, omitting the remainder thereof, or all or any of the branches, and deferring the application for the remainder of such main line or any part or parts thereof, and for all or any of the branches, to a future Session or Sessions. And this indenture further witnesseth that each of them, the said Charles Perkins, Thomas Phillpotts, Rowan Ronald, Joseph Marcus Annesley Skerrett, Henry Short, John Rodway Stock, John Twells, John Utterton, George Walter and John Yates, parties hereto of the second part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite to his name, and not further or otherwise, and also each and every of them the said several persons parties hereto of the third part, for himself and herself and for his and her respective heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite his or her name, and not further or otherwise, doth hereby covenant with the said Sir A. L. Hay, Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, William Pinney, George Robert Rowe, Owen Tickell Alger, William Borradaile, John Brothers, Edward Hughes, George Money and Robert Page, parties hereto of the first part, their executors and administrators, and each of them, the said Sir A. L. Hay, John Hesketh Fleetwood, William Pinney, George Robert Rowe, Owen Tickell Alger, William Borradaile, John Brothers, Edward Hughes, George Money and Robert Page, parties hereto of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite to his name, and not further or otherwise, doth hereby covenant with the said Charles Perkins, Thomas Phillpotts, Rowan Ronald, Joseph Marcus Annesley Skerrett, Henry Short, John Rodway Stock, John Twells, John Utterton, George Walter and John Yates, parties hereto of the second part, their executors and administrators, in manner following; that is to say, that they the several persons, parties hereto respectively and their respective executors or administrators, shall and will well and truly pay or cause to be paid the amount subscribed by each of them respectively, within seven years of the date hereof, in such sums and to such person or persons and at such places and times as by the said Act or Acts shall be directed and appointed. In witness whereof, the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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William Borradaile	Balham, Surrey	gentleman	10,000
John Brothers	Norwood Lodge, Surrey	lieutenant, R. N.	20,000
George Money	- - Mivart's Hotel, Brook-street, Westminster.	barrister-at-law	10,250
Robert Page	- - Upper Seymour-street, Portman-square, Middlesex.	esquire	10,000
Charles Perkins	Southend, Kent	gentleman	20,000
Thomas Phillpotts	3, Park-street, Westminster	merchant	20,000
Rowand Ronald	- - 20, Upper Berkeley-street, Portman-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	20,000
Joseph Marcus Annesley Skerrett.	Knockholt House, Kent	lieutenant-colonel	10,000
Henry Short	45, Oxford-ter., Hyde Park, Mid^{x}	gentleman	20,000
John Rodway Stock	22, Dorset-pl., Regent's Park, Mid^{x}	captain	1,600
John Twells	27, Gracechurch-street, London	banker	20,000
George Walter	East Dulwich, Surrey	gentleman	20,000
John Yates	Strood, Kent	- ditto	20,000
Thomas Lamie Murray	38, Hill-street, Berkeley-sq., Mid^{x}	- ditto	20,000
Algernon Attwood	27, Gracechurch-street, London	- ditto	1,000
Andrew Reynolds	221, Strand, London	artist	250
Peter Warburton	9, New Church-st., Bermondsey, Sur.	gentleman	6,000
Elias Haim Lindo	14, St. Mary-Axe, London	merchant	2,000
Mary Grantham	George-street, Croydon, Surrey	spinster	2,000
Harry Neave Rickman	122, Cheapside, London	gentleman	750
James Byrn	Liverpool, Lancashire	merchant	1,250
John Parnell	- - 7, Bennett-street, St. James's, Westminster.	surgeon	500
Charlotte Fayle	16, Aldermanbury, Londou	spinster	2,500
George Emerson	Cold Harbour-la., Camberwell, Sur^{y}	gentleman	250
William Augustus Parsons	Southam, Warwickshire	surgeon	9,750
Silas Badger Taylor	10, Cloudesley-sq., Islington, Mid^{x}	merchant	900
Charles Clifford	18, Finsbury-street, Middlesex	gentleman	1,500
George Peter Phillipe	9, Gray's-inn-square, Middlesex	- ditto	2,500
Bright Warwick	62, Bold-st., Liverpool, Lancashire	merchant	1,250
William Barton	10, Throgmorton-street, London	gentleman	250
Charles Miller	14, Lower Chapman-street, Middlesex	- ditto	500
Arthur Warburton	21, Carburton-street, Middlesex	- ditto	1,000
Lewis Ratton	11, Union-court, Old Broad-st., Lon^{n}	- ditto	500
Solomon Almosnino	11, Bevis Marks, St. Mary-Axe, Lon^{n}	- ditto	4,000
John Brown	26, Tonbridge pl., New-road, Mid^{x}	- ditto	250
Henry Barnett	373, Strand, London, Middlesex	- ditto	750
Thomas Dunman	4, Shorter's-court, London	- ditto	500
John Sanguin	27, Gracechurch-street, London	porter	250
Jacob Nunez Castello	11, Beaumont street, Middlesex	gentleman	500
Thomas Godwin	5, Angel-court, London	- ditto	6,650
James Charles Wollen	14, New-street, City-road, Middlesex	foreman	250
James Wrighton	9, Billiter-street, London	gentleman	1,750
Robert Crighton Wylie	4, Hertford-st., May Fair, Middlesex	- ditto	1,250
William Rist	29, G^{t} North-st., Lisson-grove, Mid^{x}	- ditto	2,000
John Wade	57, Holborn-hill, London	tailor & draper	1,000
Richard Rose	41 & 42, Dover-street, Westminster	gentleman	2,500
Thomas Rule	65, Lombard-street, London	- ditto	250
John Reeve	10, John-st., Adelphi, Westminster	- ditto	500
William Thorpe Stevenson	15, Angel-court, London	- ditto	1,750
Robert Dribble Mitchell	58, Upper Stamford-street, Surrey	doctor of medicine	250
John Clitsome Musgrave	Wincanton, Somersetshire	gentleman	250
Robert Griffith	16, Cloudesley-sq., Islington, Mid^{x}	- ditto	1,500
John Morgan	2, Friday-street, Cheapside, London	warehouseman	250
Thomas Henry Nimmo	9, Victoria-place, Walworth, Surrey	gentleman	4,500
William Algernon Peircy	15, Elder-street, Spital-square, Mid^{x}	- ditto	500
Charles Hitch	Lord Chamberlain's Office, Westm^{r}	messenger	250
Edward Clouston	31, Keppel-st., Russell-square, Mid^{x}	esquire	500
Charles Vane Clark	5, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street, London.	gentleman	7,000
Edward Madgwick	27, St. John's-lane, Clerkenwell, Mid^{x}	ironmonger	1,000
Alfred Bayley	Stock Exchange, London	stock-broker	14,400
Moses Almosnino	6, Bury-st., St. Mary-Axe, London	merchant	1,000
Herman Christoph Bos	Virginia Coffee-house, Cornhill, Lon^{n}	waiter	300
Dennis Kennelly	25, College-st., Tooley-st., Southwark	cooper	1,250
John Ensten	10, Hart-street, Mark-lane, London	gentleman	500
Simeon John Boileau	- Southampton-buildings, Chancery-lane, London.	barrister	3,500
Frances Shipton	38, Ely-place, Holborn, London	gentlewoman	3,000
John M'All	Loughton, Essex	gentleman	250

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William Read	- - Junior United Service Club, Pall Mall, London.	- ditto	2,500
Samuel Andrews	- - 17, Upper York-street, Bryanston-square, Middlesex.	- ditto	200
William Tomlin Griffiths	5, Cambridge-st., Edgeware-rd, Mid^{x}	- ditto	2,000
William Oliver Dodgson	Stock Exchange, London	- ditto	750
Jonathan Sills Pidgeon	Reading, Berkshire	- ditto	250
Peter Frederick Stocken	11, Stafford-place, Pimlico, Middlesex	- ditto	250
John Rodway Stock	46, Upper Baker-street, Middlesex	- ditto	50
Joseph Samuel Weston	20, Chapel-st., Grosvenor-sq., Lon^{n}	- ditto	1,250
Charles Cooper Preston	27, Gracechurch-street, London	- ditto	1,500
Abraham John Valpy	7, Sussex-place, Regent's Park, Mid^{x}	- ditto	1,000
George Taylor	- 114, Great Russell-street, Bedford-square, Middlesex.	- ditto	400
William Hall	83, London-road, Southwark	- ditto	4,850
Andrew John William Lyon	6, Freeman's-court, Cornhill, London	- ditto	250
Thomas Loud Sedgwick	41, Mark-lane, London	ironmonger	1,250
George Wenham Lewis	130, Jermyn-st., Regent-st., Mid^{x}	gentleman	600
Michael Hodsoll Miller	Scarborough, Yorkshire	clerk	250
Benjamin Cope	26, Barbican, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Thomas William Bell	- - 23, Cumberland-street, Portman-square, Middlesex.	- ditto	8,000
William Charrington	21, Cross-st., Hatton-garden, London	- ditto	500
James Cadett	29, Great Portland-street, Middlesex	doctor of medicine	3,750
Richard St. Amour	Ostend, Belgium	gentleman	500
Henry Short	- - 43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park, Middlesex.	- member of University of Cambridge.	10,500
Andrew Froom	98, St. John-street Road, Middlesex	- - straw-hat manufacturer.	250
James Wait	14, Wood-street, Spitalfields, Mid^{x}	merchant	150
James Fellon	Royal Mews, Pimlico, Middlesex	gentleman	1,000
Thomas Gewes	141, Regent-street, Middlesex	bookseller	250
George Brooks	31, Haymarket, Middlesex	gentleman	150
George Neeton	Norwich, Norfolk	- ditto	2,000
Frederick Goode	Surrey-street, Strand, Middlesex	navy agent	4,400
James Smith	27, Austin-friar's, London	gentleman	250
Sarah Ambrosia Moon	Deptford, Kent	gentlewoman	150
James Holt Beaver	Ruthin, Denbighshire	gentleman	1,000
James Clarke	Kingsland-road, London	- ditto	3,500
William Davis	69, Pall-Mall, Middlesex	- ditto	1,000
John Nicol	18, Fenchurch-street, London	- ditto	650
Charles Frederick Collins	53, Spital-square, Middlesex	solicitor	1,250
Thomas Rake	10, Duke-street, Southwark	gentleman	7,500
Roger Wood	Harrow Weald Lodge, Middlesex	- ditto	250
William James George Dilworth.	13, Newcastle-street, city, London	stationer, &c.	500
William Henry Foreman	45, Leadenhall-street, Londan	gentleman	750
Augustus Charles Drawwater	Dorchester, Dorset	- ditto	1,000
George Frederick West	Portugal-street, Lincoln's-inn, Mid^{x}	- ditto	500
Charles Presbury	Boulogne-sur-Mer, France	- ditto	500
Laurence Guishard	32, Whiskin-st., St. John's-rd, Mid^{x}	glass cutter	150
William Elliott	same place	gentleman	150
George Bassett	1, Southampton-st., Fitzroy sq., Mid^{x}	land agent	750
William Charles Beloe	Bristol, Somersetshire	gentleman	150
John Friend	Howford-buildings, London	- ditto	750
James Brown	2, Cumberland-pl., New-road, Mid^{x}	- ditto	250
Edward Abraham de Grave	Sutton Common, Surrey	- ditto	2,250
John Bolton	17, Surrey-place, Kent-road, Surrey	- ditto	500
George Radcliffe	Salisbury, Wiltshire	clerk	750
Charles Brand	Bath, Somersetshire	gentleman	500
John William Hamilton	40, Broad-street Buildings, London	- ditto	250
Richard Gunter	7, Berkeley-square, Middlesex	- ditto	150
George King	Farnborough, Warwickshire	- ditto	3,750
Ralph Wedgewood, jun.	4, Rathbone-place, Middlesex	merchant	500
George Dudley Webb	13, Cornhill, London	gentleman	1,000
John Nicholson	9, New Gloucester-place, Middlesex	- ditto	750
John Wybergh Shaw	15, Clarence-str., Reg.'s-park, Mid^{x}	- ditto	1,000
Alfred Mills	Holbeach, Lincolnshire	- agent to Messrs. Gurney & Co. bankers.	1,000
Edward Richards	11, Haymarket, Middlesex	gentleman	4,250
Henry William Masterson	14, Highbury-park, Middlesex	- ditto	7,000
John Feilden	51, Paddington-street, Middlesex	- ditto	5,750

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John Robert Ogden	51, Paddington-street, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Henry Tucker	30, Regent-street, Middlesex	clerk	3,000
James Spottiswood Anderson.	24, Austin-friars, London	gentleman	750
Samuel Stowe	Ditto ditto	ditto	750
John Twells	27, Gracechurch-street, London	banker	7,500
Thomas Edwards	Golden-cross, Charing-cross, Westminster.	hotel-keeper	250
John Clarke	1, Southampon-street, Fitzroy-square, Middlesex.	surveyor	250
George Faith	36, Mincing-lane, London	merchant	250
Richard Newton	12, Great Carter-lane, London	gentleman	150
Henry De Medina	32, Fitzroy-square, London	ditto	1,650
James Clarke	Kingsland-road, London	ditto	250
Lewis Herrop Haslewood	10, Little Stanhope-street, May Fair, Middlesex.	ditto	5,000
George Walter	East Dulwich, Surrey	ditto	13,000
Alexander Powell	Hundcott, near Salisbury, Wiltshire	esquire	1,250
John Strange	2, Circus-road, St. John's Wood, Middlesex.	ditto	750
John Birkenhead	22, Park-road, Chelsea, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Henry Mackenzie	3, Claremont-row, Islington, Middlesex.	ditto	150
Joseph Clayton	31, Haymarket, London	victualler	500
John Edward Lane	Great Berkhampstead, Hertfordshire	nurseryman	2,500
James Lawrence Farrow	Reading, Berkshire	butcher	250
Angus Friend Mackintosh	College-place, Camden-town, Middlesex.	gentleman	500
Robert Dobinson	9, Devonshire-place, Newington-green, Middlesex	ditto	150
James Lainchbury	60, Lombard-street, London	ditto	250
Frederick John Browne	47, Fenchurch-street, London	hair-dresser	1,750
Thomas Habgood	16, Hatton-garden, Middlesex	goldsmith	900
Samuel George Jardine	37, Threadneedle-street	gentleman	1,000
Joseph Hannah	25, Kennington-road, Surrey	ditto	500
John Aylwies	90, Lower Thames-st., Middlesex	ditto	5,000
Daniel Willink	Liverpool, Lancaster	merchant	1,000
John Brothers	Norwood, Surrey	lieutenant, R. N.	25,000
Joseph Woollett	Gould-square, London, Middlesex	merchant	1,250
Gilbert Ansley	Ferringdon-place, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Richard Hamond White	Carlton Chambers, Regent-street, Middlesex.	lieutenant, R. N.	500
James Marsh	Queen's-row, Walworth, Surrey	gentleman	250
James Alexander De Riemer	17, King-street, Portman-square	ditto	2,500
Robert Pierce Cruden	Gravesend, Kent	ditto	650
William Vezey Bishop	Stoke Newington, Middlesex	ditto	1,500
Alfred Cutting	Stock Exchange, St. Bartholomew, Middlesex.	ditto	2,500
Edward Penrhyn	East Sheen, Surrey	esquire	250
William Urban Burr	3, Henrietta-street, Brunswick-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	500
John Baker	284, Oxford-street	cheesemonger	500
Charles Douster	Haxby-cottage, Peckham-road, Surrey.	agent	250
Richard Quarrell	Oxford-house, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.	clerk	5,000
Thomas Blake	Doctors' Commons, Middlesex	gentleman	14,000
Frederick Brome	Woolwich, Kent	ditto	35,250
George Bayley	Stock Exchange, Middlesex	ditto	4,750
William Chaplain	Sudbourn, Suffolk	ditto	5,000
William Pitfield	2, Shadwell, Middlesex	ditto	1,500
Jonathan Cafe	Croydon, Surrey	clerk	1,500
James Harris	Tottenham-Court-road, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Ebenezer Balls Brown	7, Haberdasher's-place	ditto	250
Joseph Hill	Bath, Somerset	hatter	250
William Mayne	15, Bishopgate-street, Middlesex	gentleman	5,000
Alexander Watt	13, Austin-friars	ditto	500
Francis Ormond	Kingsbridge, Devon	ditto	300
John Wray Scott	2, Bartholomew-lane, Middlesex	gentleman	250
Philip Hall Palmer	Granby, near Bingham, Nottingham	clerk	500
William Goodwin	Kidderminster, Worcestershire	gentleman	500

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John Rowe	16, Change-alley, Cornhill, Middlesex.	engraver and printer.	1,500
Thomas Grundy	Northampton, Northamptonshire	iron and brass founder.	250
William Henry Land	Bristol, Somersetshire	broker	750
William Henry Casherwood	3, Warnford-court, Middlesex	stock-broker	3,250
Mary Ann Cummins	3, Bowness-house, Kennington, Middlesex.	spinster	250
John Ireland	25, Robert-street, Kennington, Middlesex.	gentleman	2,000
Frederick Henry Smith	11, Peckham Grove, Camberwell, Surrey.	ditto	250
Elias Whittle	17, Ave-Maria-lane, Middlesex	ditto	250
Charles Hoghton	49, Hamilton-terrace, St. John's Wood, Middlesex.	ditto	750
Charles Hoghton	ditto	ditto	500
Edward Anstech	3, Gutter-lane, Cheapside, London, Middlesex.	ditto	250
John Harman	14, Throgmorton-street, London, Middlesex.	stock-broker	500
Charles Hopkinson	Fenton's Hotel, St. James's-street, Middlesex.	banker	2,500
William Mills	17, Austin-friars, Middlesex	gentleman	5,000
William Alexander Smith	Liverpool, Lancashire	merchant	750
Richard Buggolm	ditto	sugar-refiner	1,000
Samuel Taylor	ditto	merchant	150
Francis Kelly	ditto	broker	250
Anthony Nichol	ditto	merchant	1,750
Robert M'Neil	ditto	ditto	500
Robert Marshall	ditto	ditto	500
James Crawford	ditto	broker	250
Joseph Williamson	ditto	merchant	250
Joseph Humphreys	ditto	coffee-roaster	150
Thomas Lightfoot	ditto	broker	750
John Richardson, jun.	ditto	ditto	250
William Cowan	ditto	LL. D.	5,000
William Brocklebank	ditto	merchant	250
William Stock	ditto	glass-merchant	1,250
Frederick Konig	ditto	merchant	250
George Bowring	ditto	artist	400
James Rose	Much Woolton, Liverpool, Lancashire	miller	1,000
John Higson	Manchester, ditto	solicitor	250
John Smith	ditto	banker's clerk	400
John Drakeford	ditto	silk broker	500
Nicholas Germon	ditto	clerk	500
William Long	ditto	currier	250
Joseph Wilson	Tildsley, ditto	cotton-spinner	250
Walter Lingo	Bury, ditto	druggist	1,000
John Pickering	Manchester, Lancashire	music seller	250
John Parry	ditto	drysalter	250
Abraham Franklin	ditto	merchant	2,250
Thomas Nield	ditto	solicitor	250
John Swallow	ditto	cotton dealer	250
Herbert Hardie	ditto	merchant	16,900
George Carruthers	Lancaster, Lancashire	chemist	750
John Hall	ditto	solicitor	1,000
Henry Foxcroft	ditto	surgeon	750
Samuel Preston	ditto	wine-merchant	250
Thomas Dewhurst	ditto	ship-broker	1,000
Thomas Eastwood	ditto	gentleman	500
Robert Jackson	ditto	solicitor	1,000
John Uniacke	Chester, Cheshire	gentleman	2,500
John Clemison	ditto	ditto	1,250
George Ward	ditto	ditto	250
George Anthony Franks	ditto	professor of music	250
Abel Foulkes	ditto	glove manufacturer	150
James Belfour	ditto	clerk	500
William Harrop	ditto	straw-hat dealer	1,250
Edward Watson Lloyd	ditto	gentleman	500
William Cross	ditto	distiller	1,250
William Harling	ditto	schoolmaster	500
John Nescombe	ditto	bookseller	1,250
William Williams	ditto	dyer	1,000
Enoch Gerrard	ditto	accountant	3,750
John Palin	ditto	grocer	2,500

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William Sprent	Chester, Cheshire	grocer	7,500
Richard Gough	ditto	tanner	5,000
John Hignett	ditto	solicitor	1,250
John Scholfield	Liverpool, Lancashire	wine-merchant	250
Elizabeth Cowley Irlam	Bootle, near Liverpool, ditto	spinster	250
John Irlam	Liverpool, Lancashire	merchant	250
Betty Irlam	ditto	gentlewoman	150
John Adams	ditto	merchant	1,250
Edward Byford	ditto	broker	250
Thomas Stavert	ditto	merchant	1,000
Eaton Hull	ditto	ditto	250
Robert Willson	ditto	ditto	1,400
William Brown	ditto	broker	250
Henry Lucas	ditto	agent	1,250
Richard Townsend	ditto	clerk	150
William Pippett	ditto	wine and spirit dealer.	250
William Turning	ditto	innkeeper	500
John Head	ditto	merchant	750
Thomas Wilding	ditto	book-keeper	250
William Critchley	ditto	pawnbroker	250
Thomas Harris	ditto	broker	3,100
Withem Williamson Wellink	ditto	gentleman	1,000
Richard Crewe	ditto	broker	500
Thomas Dunnington	ditto	gentleman	500
John Cooke	Manchester, Lancashire	calenderer	600
John Thornhill	Liverpool ditto	gentleman	150
William Scholfield	ditto	brewer	250
Edward Holmes	Moseley, near Birmingham, Warwick	gentleman	1,000
Rupert Holmes	Birmingham, Warwick	veterinary surgeon	500
Sarah Jane Short	Handsworth, Warwick	spinster	1,000
Alfred Lawden	Birmingham, Warwick	jeweller	150
Robson Bielby	ditto	accountant	500
Thomas Simcox	ditto	solicitor	1,750
Thomas Mucklow	ditto	gentleman	2,000
Thomas Clarke, jun.	ditto	manufacturer	2,500
Josiah Emes	ditto	button maker	500
Samuel Kempson	ditto	manufacturer	3,400
Elijah Bernard	ditto	clerk	650
Edwin Pemberton	ditto	iron-master	750
James Harwood	ditto	share-broker	6,000
John Green	ditto	agent	3,750
Robson Bielby	ditto	accountant	250
Richard Blood	ditto	factor	400
James Drake	ditto	bookseller	150
Thomas Augustus Haines	ditto	clerk	500
Thomas Langley	ditto	leather factor	1,900
Thomas Toney	ditto	draper	250
Benjamin Shipway	ditto	printer	250
Ebenezer Timmis	ditto	goldsmith and broker.	2,250
Edward Cope	ditto	solicitor	250
Walter Blount	ditto	ditto	250
William Moxon	ditto	surveyor	250
Joseph Timmis	ditto	gentleman	15,000
John Harford	ditto	victualler	250
William Maw Shillitoe	ditto	chemist and druggist.	250
Peter Kenway	Hunter's Hill, near Birmingham, Warwickshire	agent	250
John Wade	Birmingham, Warwickshire	share-broker	1,750
James Ashwin	ditto	agent	1,500
William Loch	Ashton, near Birmingham, ditto	surgical instrument maker.	150
William Jackson	Birmingham, Warwickshire	brush maker	1,000
John Barwell	ditto	dealer in metal	1,500
John Warden	ditto	corn dealer	650
Richard Southall	ditto	merchant	2,650
Robson Bielby	ditto	accountant	1,500
James Stokes	Cheltenham, Gloucestershire	share-broker	1,250
Justinian Nutt	ditto	major in the army	5,000
Henry Charles Boisragon	ditto	doctor of medicine	500
William Fox	Gloucester, Gloucestershire	merchant	250
Samuel Lloyd	Nailsworth, Gloucestershire	clerk, M. A.	4,000
Nathaniel Lloyd	ditto	gentleman	400
Joseph Smith	Cirencester, ditto	ditto	750

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Henry Harris	Cirencester, Gloucestershire	gentleman	400
Thomas Lediard	ditto	solicitor	1,250
Robert Hawkins Hellings	Bath, Somersetshire	ditto	3,000
Elizabeth Fauntleroy Beadle	Kingsdown-parade, Bristol, Somersetshire.	spinster	250
William Johnson	Bristol, Somersetshire	oil merchant	4,400
Rolla Habbakkuk Collard	2, Waterloo-place, Montpelier, Bristol, Somersetshire.	accountant	100
John Wansbrugh	Redcliffe-street, Bristol, Somersetshire.	stationer	150
William Witchell	ditto	merchant	500
Zephaniah Fry	Castle-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	woollen factor	1,500
Francis Holliday	3, Montague-parade, Bristol, Somersetshire.	ship-owner	2,250
William James Goodeve	Mall, Clifton, Bristol, Somersetshire	surgeon	4,250
Odiarne Coates Lane	Clive-place, Clifton, Bristol, ditto	bookseller	2,500
Frederick William Green	Bristol, Somersetshire	ship-builder	4,250
William George Cussens	High-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	accountant	250
Emanuel Waite	Avon-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	ditto	2,500
James Low	Bristol, Somersetshire	linen merchant	2,500
Silas Dibsdale	ditto	ditto	2,500
William Smith	Salisbury, Wiltshire	banker	1,000
Charles William Everett	ditto	ditto	1,000
Edward Shewell	Reading, Berkshire	captain in the navy	500
George Cooper	ditto	chemist	250
Thomas Samuel Burt	Wooolwich, Kent	brewer	2,500
William Nokes	ditto	solicitor	2,500
Samuel Noble	ditto	builder	3,500
Edward Dell	ditto	merchant	2,100
Robert Hendrek Goddard	ditto	ditto	2,200
William Thunder	ditto	ditto	2,100
Francis Baggett Grant	Dartford, Kent	clerk	2,000
John Dunkin	ditto	printer	1,000
James Chipchase	ditto	gentleman	3,000
Richard Rogers Worthington Beard.	Crosshouse, Fawkham, Kent	ditto	1,500
John Webb	Dartford, Kent	ditto	3,250
Charles Frederick Hamond	Blackheath, Kent	ditto	5,100
Alfred John Dunkin	Dartford, Kent	printer	500
Richard Ireland	Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex	gentleman	5,400
William Austin	37, Chancery-lane, London	ditto	25,000
Thomas Samuel Nevill	35, Mansell-street, Goodman's-fields, Middlesex.	ditto	25,000
Robert Marsden	75, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square, Middlesex	Royal Navy	5,200
Effingham Wilson	3, South-street, Finsbury, Middlesex	gentleman	10,200
Thomas Hathway	Albany-road, Camberwell, Surrey	ditto	10,400
George Price	Rose-place, Mile-end, Middlesex	ditto	25,000
William Andrews	Dulwich, Surrey	ditto	12,000
Effingham Wilson, jun.	14, Finsbury Circus, Middlesex	ditto	5,500
Richard Ireland, jun.	Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex	ditto	5,100
Eliza Willans	New Kent-road, Kent	widow	4,500
Virginia Green	ditto	spinster	4,000
James Kennaby	ditto	gentleman	5,000
Jane Green	ditto	spinster	5,250
Julia Green	ditto	ditto	5,250
James John Brown	Peckham, Surrey	gentleman	10,250
James Wetenhall	25, Chester-place, Kennington, Surrey.	ditto	12,250
James Clarke	118, Tyson-place, Kingsland-road, Middlesex.	ditto	3,550
John Davies	Carter-place, Walworth, Surrey	ditto	3,550
Henry Rowley	18, Savage-gardens, London	ditto	10,500
William De Charms	Stockwell, Surrey	ditto	2,500
Jacob Castello	11, Beaumont-place, Middlesex	ditto	7,500
William Watson	12, Cooper's-row, Crutched-friars, London.	ditto	9,500
Charles James Thicke	Felix-place, Islington, Middlesex	ditto	10,000
Simon Barend	25, Russell-street, Bedford-square, Middlesex.	ditto	12,500
Mark Rothschild	72, Britannia-terrace, Middlesex	ditto	7,500
Joseph Hirst	2, Sherborne-lane, London	agent	9,500
Lewis Lillendelson	57, King-street, Soho square, Middlesex.	merchant	8,500

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Richard Spencer	27, Baldwin-street, Middlesex	accountant	9,500
Francis Newcombe	6, Doncaster-place, Middlesex	gentleman	6,500
Richard Lee	1, Bartholomew lane, London	jobber	5,500
Benjamin Wheeler Poulton	Hounslow, Middlesex	gentleman	2,500
Antonio Glaser	52, Fenchurch-street, London	shoemaker	6,500
Thomas Yeakell	9, Pownall-terrace, Middlesex	surveyor and engineer.	9,500
William Hatchwell	38, Wilson-street, Finsbury, Middlesex.	gentleman	12,500
Thomas Thompson	5, Scott's-place, Islington, Middlesex.	ditto	10,000
Richard Nicholson	24, Gibson-street, Middlesex	tobacco merchant	9,350
Gorman Iscit	55, Gloster-street, Bloomsbury, Middlesex.	gentleman	5,500
John Brown	30, Gerrard-street, Soho, Middlesex	merchant	9,500
William Samuel Johnson	30, Cooper-street, City-road, Middlesex.	accountant and broker.	5,500
William Lumley	158, Ratcliffe-highway, Middlesex	willow-square manufacturer.	4,500
Moses Ansell	74, Leman-street, Middlesex	merchant	4,500
Michael Jacobs	9, Gloster-street, Middlesex	gentleman	9,500
Aaron Nunez	1, Jewry street, Middlesex	boot-maker	5,500
William Townsend	17, Cullum-street, London	agent	8,500
John Smyth	30, Castle-street, Middlesex	gentleman	9,500
Solomon Burroquen	1, Woburn-buildings, ditto	ditto	4,500
Jacob Burroquen	8, King-street, Aldgate, London	grocer	2,500
Joseph Simeon Barzerber	3, Cummin-street, Wapping, Middlesex.	gentleman	3,500
William Dorrington	Kennington, Surrey	agent	2,500
William Wright	28, Great Charlotte-street, Middlesex.	gentleman	800
William Swannell	East-street, Old Kent-road, Kent	merchant	750
George Broad	Peckham, Surrey	gentleman	500
James Andrew Hunt Grubbe	9, Allan-terrace, Kensington, Middlesex.	clerk	7,500
John Atkins	5, White-hart-court, Lombard-street, London.	gentleman	500
George Inall	Islington, Middlesex	ditto	10,000
Hugh Douglas Donaldson	3, West-street, Finsbury, Middlesex	ditto	1,000
George Waugh	4, White-lion-court, Cornhill, London.	esquire	500
John Simpson	2, Princes-square, Wilson-street, London.	gentleman	500
Matthias Attwood	27, Gracechurch-street, London	banker	6,500
Robert Wilson	27, Gracechurch-street, London	gentleman	5,000
Gervase Wheeler	28, Bartlett's-buildings, Middlesex	ditto	1,000
Thomas Fisher Evans	Law Society, Chancery-lane, London.	ditto	250
James Bousfield	68, Wood-street, Cheapside, London.	clerk	400
William Edmonds	2, Philpot-lane, London	wine-merchant	800
John Wiley	19, Fenchurch-street, London	merchant	250
John Wilson	8, Regent-terrace, City-road, Middlesex.	gentleman	250
Charles Cooper Preston	27, Gracechurch-street, London	ditto	1,000
Algernon Attwood	27, Gracechurch-street, London	ditto	250
John Dunn	52, Great Tower-street, London	wine-merchant	250
Harry Tyrrell Watkins	7, Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	4,500
John Milverton	17, Wellesley-street, Euston-sq., Middlesex.	bookseller	2,500
John Gregson	4, Suffolk-street, Middlesex	gentleman	500
Robert Coulson	Whiskin-street, Finsbury, Middlesex.	engraver	50
William Foster	9, Bernard's Inn, Holborn, Middlesex.	gentleman	250
John Robert Jordan	23, Threadneedle-street, London	ditto	500
William Adams	24, Stanhope-street, Clare-market, Middlesex.	ditto	250
Martin Bird	4, Church-street, Southwark	builder	250
Edward Nicholas Ladd	4, John-street, Jubilee-place, Commercial-road, Middlesex.	coal-merchant	2,000

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Thomas Jeeves	7, Smith-street, Northampton-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	1,000
Thomas Dawson	56, Paradise-street, Lambeth, Surrey.	builder	1,000
Pettus Harman	14, Throgmorton-street, London	stock-broker	500
William Clarke	Seymour-street, Middlesex	gentleman	3,750
Henry Cooke	8, Houndsditch, London	ditto	9,500
John Henry Cromwell Russell.	Sittingbourne, Kent	ditto	1,650
John Bright	Skeffington-hall, Market-Harbro', Leicester.	esquire	500
John Brown	29, Lombard-street, London	gentleman	750
Robert Laine	Independent Gas-works, Haggerstone, Middlesex.	ditto	250
Thomas Watson	Throgmorton-street, London	ditto	150
William Adams	Chigwell, Essex	ditto	2,250
William Stokes	Fenchurch-street, London	ditto	200
John Parker	77, Basinghall-street, London	ditto	400
Isaac Porritt	High-street, Deptford, Kent	bookseller and stationer.	150
William Hall	Mount Nod cottage, Streatham, Surrey.	gentleman	2,750
Charles Griffith	Gloster-place, Hackney, Middlesex.	ditto	500
William Coulton	Surrey-canal-house, Kent-road, Kent.	ditto	500
William Thompson	Surrey-grove, Kent-road, Kent	ditto	2,800
Charles Bond	62, Canon-street, London	fishing-rod maker	250
William Wilders	17, Austin-friars, London	gentleman	250
Elias Parry	6, River-street, Pentonville, Middlesex.	ditto	400
Henry Finch Letchworth	Reading, Berkshire	ditto	250
George Thomas	Shaftesbury, Dorset	ditto	250
David Manson	Edinburgh, Scotland	ditto	1,250
Robert Smith	New-court, Bow-lane, London	merchant	1,500
James Watson	Alderman's-walk, London	ditto	4,000
Ralph Culshaw	Nottingham-place, Middlesex	ditto	2,500
Charles Downes	Warwick-street, Westminster	army-agent	2,000
Samuel Sharp	Union-court, Broad-street, London	broker	150
Thomas Frostin Snow	Bristol, Somerset	linen-draper	250
William Webb	2, Jermyn-street, St. James's	accountant	250
Daniel Cork	Leadenhall, London	salesman	150
Shettleworth Bryant	Sweetings'-alley, London	agent	500
William Manley	15, Bishopsgate-street Within, London.	gentleman	750
James Kaines	20, New-road, St. George's, East, Middlesex.	news-vender	50
Samuel Johnson	Bristol, Somersetshire	merchant	750
Thomas James	7, Smith-street, Northampton-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	250
Brough George Maltby	Clapham-rise, Surrey	ditto	250
George Robinson	White-conduit-street, Pentonville, Middlesex.	ditto	250
John Simpson	2, Prince's square, Finsbury, Middlesex.	ditto	250
Henry Whiffen	High-street, Deptford, Kent	contractor	150
George Ansell	Saville-place, Mile-end, Middlesex.	gentleman	250
William Haynes	St. Michael's-alley, Cornhill, London.	agent	1,250
John Dennis	Salisbury, Wiltshire	gentleman	250
Richard Blackmore	3, Trafalgar-place, West Hackney-road, Middlesex.	broker	2,000
William Fane de Salis	19, Bury-street, St. James, Westminster.	esquire	1,250
Edward Young	White-lion-court, Cornhill, London	solicitor	500
William Waters Howard	13, Raven-row, Mile-end, Middlesex.	gentleman	500
William Chapman	75, Blackfriar's-road, Surrey	ditto	1,750
William Stephenson	Grosvenor-place, Camberwell, Surrey.	ditto	5,000
Richard Taylor	Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex	ditto	250
George Rowland Minshall	Grove-lane, Camberwell, Surrey	ditto	150
William Mills	17, Austin-friars, London	ditto	4,500
Owen Tickell Alger	37, Bedford-row, Middlesex	ditto	1,500
William Hall	Mount Nod, Streatham, Surrey	ditto	300

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CHRISTIAN and SURNAMES.	PLACE OF ABODE.	PROFESSION or CALLING.	AMOUNT of Subscription.
			£.
Robert Sutton, jun.	Stock Exchange	gentleman	5,000
John Roger Arnold	Chigwell, Essex	ditto	2,250
Edwin Vandergucht	Tavistock-street, Middlesex	ditto	500
Thomas Hopson	37, Fleet-street, London	ditto	150
William George Legge	4, Dorchester-place, Middlesex	ditto	1,000
Charles Freeling Reeves	General Post-office, Glasgow	ditto	4,500
Jamest West	Clayton-place, Kennington, Surrey	ditto	900
William May	Lawn-place, Clapton, Middlesex	merchant	1,250
Thomas Deare	Northampton-street, Islington, Middlesex.	gentleman	5,000
Alfred Herapeth	Bristol, Somersetshire	ditto	5,250
Frederick George Hamond	Greenwich, Kent	ditto	7,500
John Hooper	Kennington, Surrey	ditto	5,750
John Gardner	Walworth, Surrey	ditto	3,000
William Robinson Chamberlain.	21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road, Kent	agent	5,000
Munden Hammond	27, Lombard-street, London	ditto	1,500
Edward Hicks Fielder	Crosby Hall Chambers, London	ditto	4,750
Robert Marsden	75, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square, Middlesex.	royal navy	3,500
John Yonge Akerman	Peckham, Surrey	gentleman	2,500
John Garth	Battersea, Surrey	shipowner	7,500
Vernon Prankherd	16, Park-street, Kingsland, Middlesex.	gentleman	250
Samuel Carr	27, Half-moon-crescent, Pentonville, Middlesex.	ditto	250
John Alpe	24, Finch-lane, Cornhill, London	ditto	500
Thomas Martin	Liverpool, Lancashire	ditto	750
Thomas Roy	ditto	ditto	500
Edward Wilkinson	Point House, Blackheath, Kent	ditto	4,000
Edmund Hodges	Ramsgate, Kent	ditto	5,000
Adolphus Pugh Johnson	Lloyd's Coffee House	ditto	2,250
Charles John Pharazyn	ditto	ditto	1,000
Bartholomew White	Bermondsey, Surrey	ditto	3,500
John Jansten	Mile-end, Middlesex	ditto	3,500
Frederick Syrett	New Kent-road, Kent	ditto	3,000
Henry Cooke	8, Houndsditch, London	ditto	2,000
John Wetenhall	Walcot-place, Lambeth, Surrey	ditto	2,000
Alexander Henry Smith	43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park, Middlesex.	ditto	10,000
William Howard Short	20, Guildford-street, Russell-square, Middlesex.	ditto	10,000
William Hammond	27, Lombard-street, London	agent	4,000
John Hammond	ditto	gentleman	3,000
James Belden	Kenton-street, Brunswick-square, Middlesex.	ditto	1,000
Susan Nott	Brighton, Sussex	widow	1,000
John Rees Howell	Bucklersbury, London	gentleman	10,000
Robert Wilson	27, Gracechurch-street, London	ditto	6,000
Thomas Clark	8, Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex	solicitor	5,000
John Henry Anderson	3, Cloak-lane, City, London	ditto	8,500
William Chaplain	Sudbourne, Suffolk	gentleman	20,000
Edward Cuell	Finch-lane, Cornhill, London	ditto	500
Edmund Charles Holland	33, Sackville-street, Westminster	ditto	12,000
Spencer Herapath	Kensington, Middlesex	ditto	5,000
Maria Herapath	ditto	spinster	5,250
Amelia Hamond	Hawley-square, Margate, Kent	ditto	11,050
George Stephen	Basinghall-street, London	gentleman	5,000
Philip Champ	7, Retreat-place, Hackney, Middlesex.	accountant	5,100
William Stephen	Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars, London.	gentleman	3,500
William Peters	Minories, London	ditto	1,500
John Turner Houston	Brighton-place, Brixton, Surrey	surgeon	2,250
George Vernon	10, Basinghall-street, London	merchant	750
William John Chapman	Seymour-place, Euston-square, Middlesex.	gentleman	6,000
		£.	1,590,150

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847. Who is William Andrews, gent., 12,500*l.*?—I believe he is solicitor to that company.

848. What company?—The Salisbury, Exeter, Falmouth and Plymouth.

849. *Chairman.*] Did Mr. Price pay any deposit?—No.

850. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where did you find Mr. Andrews?—At the railway office.

851. Had you ever seen him before?—Very often.

852. Is he a friend of yours?—No.

853. What passed between you and him?—Nothing more than to ask him to sign.

854. Was anybody with him?—Mr. Price was, I believe.

855. Did you ask him to sign for any larger sum?—No.

856. Did you ask him to sign for that particular sum?—No, I did not specify any particular sum; I left it to his own pleasure.

857. What did you state to him to induce him to sign?—Nothing more than that I wanted some more names to the deed.

858. Was he at all startled?—No, I do not recollect that he was.

859. Who is Robert Marsden?—I do not know him.

860. How did you find him?—I believe he is a friend of Mr. Smith.

861. Mr. *Thornley.*] Did Mr. Andrews pay any deposit?—No.

862. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know any gentleman in the list, that being the name [*pointing to one*], who has passed the Insolvent Debtor's Court?—No, I do not.

863. Who is Mr. John Dunkin, the printer?—He is a very respectable man at Dartford; I knew him at Bromley, in Kent.

864. Did you get his signature?—Mr. Fookes did.

865. John Webb, 3,250*l.*?—I do not know him.

866. Who got it?—I do not know.

867. Is he in Mr. Fookes' office?—I do not know.

868. Were you present when he executed?—No.

869. *Chairman.*] The deposit was paid upon none of these?—No.

870. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any correspondence in your office upon the subject of Webb's signature?—Yes.

871. State to the Committee what it was?—Mr. Fookes, of Dartford, transmitted a letter to me, stating that Webb had been applied to by a Mr. D. E. Stephens, asking him whether he was a shareholder, or had signed the deed of the Kent Railway Company; he gave that letter, with an enclosure, written by Stephens, to this effect: "If you are or are not a person signing that deed, you will sign the enclosed letter, stating, 'In answer to your inquiry (I am speaking from memory only), I beg leave explicitly to state that I have not signed the deed, and I remain your humble servant;'" left blank for him to sign.

[*A letter was read, dated Chingford, the 27th February* 1837, *signed Daniel E. Stephens, addressed to John Webb, of Dartford.*]

[*The enclosure was also read.*]

872. Did you see Mr. Webb sign it?—No, I did not, but his name is to the deed.

873. There is a name of that kind?—Yes.

874. Who is Richard Rogers; was he one of your procuring at Dartford?—No.

875. Who did witness Webb's signature?—I presume, Mr. Fookes.

876. Look at the deed, and see whose initials are against that execution by Webb?—It is my initials.

877. But you did not see him witness it?—I did not.

878. It is a false witness?—It is a mistake, not intended to be so; I would have corrected it, if I had thought of it, by telling the Committee it was an accidental one. Will the Committee allow me just to explain how that has arisen. Mr. Grant, the vicar's signature, I attested, because I was present, and in my hurry, I, without looking, have put my initials, believing, at the time, I had seen these parties sign; it is quite clear I did not, therefore it is a perfect error on my part.

879. Have the kindness to inform the Committee how many names you have put your initials against that you did not see execute?—There are four; Dunkin, Chipchase, Rogers and Webb.

880. You put your initials against all of them?—Yes, accidentally.

881. Who is Mr. Thunder, merchant?—He keeps a tavern, at Woolwich.

882. Who

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882. Who procured his signature?—I did.

883. Who is Mr. Goddart?—He is a gentleman living at Woolwich, one of the committee there.

884. What is he?—He is described here as a merchant; I do not know him, except seeing him on the committee.

885. Who is Mr. Dell?—A wine-merchant at Woolwich.

886. Who is Mr. Noble?—A builder at Woolwich.

887. Who got his signature?—I did.

888. Where?—At Woolwich.

889. Did you tell him you wanted further sums?—Yes.

890. Who is Mr. Noakes, a solicitor?—Solicitor to the company for Woolwich.

891. When you set out on this tour for signatures and other matters, what sum did you intend to procure, if you were able to do it?—There was no particular sum.

892. As much as you could get?—Whatever I wanted; as much as I could get.

893. Did you succeed or fail in getting all you wanted?—No, I did not get as much as I wanted.

893*. *Chairman.*] What did you want?—I wished to get as much as I could.

894. When you say you did not succeed in obtaining all you wanted, you must have had some sum in your mind which would have been sufficient for what you wanted; what was that sum?—Not any sum at all. The object of my going was to get Kent signatures.

895. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is the last name for 10,250 *l.*, John Brown?—He is a stationer, in Broad-street, living at Peckham.

896. When did you get his signature?—About the same time.

897. Cannot you state when you got it?—I think it was Monday the 13th.

898. Whose name follows?—James Wetenhall; that was Monday the 13th.

899. What particular time was it?—It was in the middle of the day.

900. Where was the deed before you took it there?—In my hand.

901. Where was the deed?—In my hand.

902. Where was the deed before you went there with it; from whence did you take the deed?—From my office.

903. From your own office?—Yes.

904. Did you name the sum to him?—Yes, I did.

905. Is the total amount of all those sums so obtained by you, or through you and Mr. Fookes, 194,700 *l.*?—I have not added them up.

906. What is the last gentleman's name; John Brown?—Yes.

907. Has he not a partner?—Yes.

908. What is his partner's name?—Syrett.

909. Are they the firm who are printers to your board, Brown and Syrett?—Yes.

910. 17, Old Broad-street, City?—Yes.

911. When did you go to Mr. Syrett?—I did not go.

912. Who did go?—I do not know.

913. You know nothing at all about it?—No.

914. The sum is 3,000 *l.*; just turn to the deed; is he not described as of the New Kent-road, Kent?—I am looking for the name. I do not know where it is.

915. Had you anything to do with his signature?—No, I had not.

916. Did you procure any other considerable sums, besides what you have mentioned under those circumstances, from gentlemen whom it was not necessary to get deposits from, and whose signature you wanted to the deed?—I do not see any other names.

917. Do you know any gentleman of the name of Wilkinson?—Edward Wilkinson.

918. Find his name upon the deed?—I do not see it.

919. You can find it, or Mr. Lancaster can find it for you: do you recollect that he is a subscriber for 4,000 *l.*?—No, I do not.

920. Do you know that he is a subscriber to a large amount?—I know he is a subscriber, because he told me so himself.

921. Do you recollect when his signature was given?—No, I do not.

922. Was it a very long time since?—No; it was about the same time. I have found the name; it is not my witnessing.

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923. Just read it to the Committee?—"Edward Wilkinson, Point House, Blackheath, Kent, 4,000*l.*"

924. Did you procure his signature?—No.

925. Had you anything to do with it?—I do not think I had: I do not recollect it at all.

926. Do you recollect his being at the railway office?—Certainly.

927. Do you recollect having any conversation with him about his signing?—That was afterwards.

928. State to the Committee what it was?—I do not know that I can: he merely asked me what it was that was going on in the House of Commons; that is all I recollect about it.

929. Do you recollect his complaining of his signature being obtained, and wishing to cancel it?—No.

930. Are you positive nothing of the kind passed?—Not to me.

931. Or in your presence?—I should say so.

932. Do you say so?—Yes.

933. *Chairman.*] He did not make that complaint in your presence to any other person?—No.

934. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you any conversation with him about his liability?—Yes.

935. What was it?—He asked me what he was liable for.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in answer to the objection.

Mr. *Thesiger* was heard in reply.

The Committee-room was cleared.

After some time the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed by the Chairman, that the Committee were of opinion that the question should relate to what the witness understood to have been the feelings expressed by Mr. Wilkinson in relation to his acts before the agitation of this question in the House of Commons, and not to any feelings that may have arisen in his mind subsequently to the question being agitated.

936. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you sure that this conversation alluded to, between you and Mr. Wilkinson, was after the presentation of the petition by Mr. Warburton?—Yes.

937. Are you confident of that?—Yes.

938. What day was it?—I do not know.

939. How long since?—Immediately succeeding the lodgment of our copy of he contract; very shortly afterwards.

940. Are you sure it was not previous to the presentation of the petition by Mr. Warburton?—I should say not.

941. Are you sure it was not?—Yes.

942. Positive?—To the best of my recollection.

943. Positive?—To the best of my recollection.

944. Why are you positive, if you do not recollect the time?—I cannot be more precise.

945. Do you not know that he came to you shortly after signing the deed?—He came soon after, but I cannot give the period of time nearer.

946. What time was the petition presented by Mr. Warburton?—I do not recollect.

947. Recollect whether in that conversation there was in fact any reference whatever to the petition presented in the House?—I have seen him once since his signature, but at what period I cannot tell you nearer than I have done; the conversation was, "What is going on in the House of Commons; what does it all mean?"

948. What other gentleman, besides Mr. Wilkinson, did you get to sign it under similar circumstances?—I do not see any other.

949. Not one other: look over one or two of the deeds, and see if you cannot find any more?—I should be happy to tell if I knew. [*The Witness looked over the deeds.*] I do not see any more; my initials are not to any more.

950. To no more?—I do not see any.

951. But whether your initials are or are not to any more, did you procure any

any persons to sign for a sum of money, whose signature is witnessed by any other person?—"Samuel Collingwood, Greenwich, Kent, surveyor, 500 *l.*"

952. Can you find any other?—No.

953. Were there any at the Custom-house?—No.

954. Or at any of the City companies?—No.

955. You cannot call to mind any other person?—I believe I have acknowledged every name I know.

956. On what day was it the most of these names were procured?—The 13th and 14th.

957. What day was the deed sent to Mr. Hamond's office?—The 14th.

958. How came it to be sent to Mr. Hamond's office?—He offered to procure some signatures of his friends to it, and requested I would bring it to his office for that purpose.

959. Where was that request and offer made?—In my board-room.

960. Was that after any meeting?—It was on a Monday, and there was no meeting on that day.

961. Were any directors present?—No.

962. Who was there?—Mr. Smith and myself.

963. What conversation had previously passed, to lead to such an offer?—Mr. Smith and myself were alone at the table, conversing on the subject of the deed, its deficiency, and how we should make it up. The amount to be made up was very large, arising from the increase of the estimate. Mr. Hamond came in, and seeing us, as he thought, not in spirits, asked what was the matter; I said we were puzzled to get some signatures to the deed; he said, let me take it home, and I will get some friends of mine to sign it; I objected to it, and told him, I thought that would not be quite right; he then said, let me have it to-morrow morning at my office, and I will do it there.

964. *Chairman.*] His office, where?—Mincing-lane. I took it there, and saw a person sign it by his desire, John Rowley. I then left the room, and saw no more, until it was sent to my office that afternoon, at a quarter before four. The time I left it was about 12 o'clock.

965. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you take it up, personally?—Yes, I did.

966. About 12 o'clock?—Thereabout.

967. Did you attest Mr. Rowley's signature?—I have.

968. Who is Mr. Rowley?—I do not know him; I never saw him before.

969. Have you heard anything of him?—No.

970. *Chairman.*] You say you saw Mr. Rowley sign it by his desire; by whose desire?—Mr. Hammond's.

971. Mr. *Parkes.*] What sort of looking person was Mr. Rowley?—I do not know; I told you so yesterday.

972. Did he look like those persons of property and rank you represent to have signed the deed?—I did not make any observations of that kind.

973. Did he look like a person of rank?—I cannot say; I did not notice.

974. What sort of a looking person was he, thin or fat?—I do not recollect, it was so short a time I saw him.

975. Should you know him again?—No.

976. Do you know where he is to be found?—No.

977. Have you not inquired after him since this mess?—No; purposely not.

978. When did you fetch the deed away?—I did not fetch it away.

979. Who did?—My porter went for it.

980. By your desire?—Yes.

981. At what time?—Quarter before four.

982. What time did he bring it back to you?—A little before four.

983. The deed had been there, according to your statement, about four hours?—I did not think so long as that, but it must be.

984. Did not you yourself, or some person to your knowledge, go for it in the mean time?—No.

985. Was it never taken away for any time?—No.

986. Not after Mr. Rowley's signature?— Yes, it was, by me.

987. Where did you take it?— It was taken by me to get such signatures as I could get.

988. What did you do with it?— I got Mr. De Charm's signature.

989. Where?—At Mr. Phillpotts' office.

990. Point it out?—It is following Mr. Rowley's name.

991. You

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991. You got these three signatures, one at Mr. Phillpotts', Mr. Twells' and Mr. Wettenhall's?—Yes.

992. How long were you getting these?—Before I went to Mr. Hamond's office.

993. What did you get after you had taken it to Mr. Hamond's?—Mr. De Charm's signature.

994. Any other?—No.

995. What other persons did you take it to in the city who refused to sign it on the last two days?—I do not recollect any one.

996. Did you take it to anybody who refused tosign it or made any difficulty?—I think not one.

997. Refresh your memory, and try?—I do not think I can recollect anything more.

998. How long do you think you had it after 12, before you took it back to Mr. Hamond?—I should say for half an hour.

999. How far is it from Mr. Hamond's to Mr. Phillpotts' office?—About five minutes' walk.

1000. Where is Mr. Phillpotts' office?—Fenchurch-street.

1001. Had you any conversation with Mr. Phillpotts upon the subject of your being in difficulty, and wanting two or three hundred thousand pounds?—No.

1002. Had you had any such conversation with him?—No.

1003. At no time?—No.

1004. Was not he in daily communication with you?—He was there every Tuesday.

1005. And not on any other days?—I do not recollect his being there.

1006. Will you declare to the Committee you never had any communication with Mr. Phillpotts on the subject of the deed between the week's meeting and the signing of the deed?—Yes.

1007. Had Mr. Colin Smith, to your knowledge?—I believe he had.

1008. Why do you believe that?—Because I have heard him say so.

1009. Did you take it back again to Mr. Hamond?—I left it at Mr. Hamond's office.

1010. When it came back, did you notice the addition of subscriptions?—Yes.

1011. Some good rattling sums?—They were large sums.

1012. Had you any conversation with Mr. Hamond about the amount you required to make it top over the Standing Order amount?—No, none whatever.

1013. You left it with him without any intimation as to the amount?—Yes.

1014. Was that the day before the lodging of it?—No, two days before; our copy was lodged the 16th.

1015. Did you cast it up when it came back?—No, I did not.

1016. Did anybody in your presence?—No.

1017. When did you discover you had got enough?—I left immediately after, to go to Chatham; I knew nothing of it again till Thursday morning.

1018. Had you got enough before you went to Chatham?—I do not know; I am quite unacquainted with it. My orders were by the committee to go to Chatham.

1019. What for?—To obtain a requisition to Sir John Beresford.

1020. From the board?—Yes.

1021. When did you receive that order?—Tuesday, the 14th.

1022. How late did the board sit?—Till two o'clock.

1023. Were they sitting when you took the deed to Mr. Hamond?—No.

1024. When did they begin?—One o'clock.

1025. Did you return to the office after you left Mr. Hamond?—Yes.

1026. Were you present in the board-room after you returned?—All the time.

1027. Was there any discussion as to the deed?—As to the directors' signatures.

1028. What was the discussion?—Some of the directors had not signed, and were requested to sign it; some did, and some did not.

1029. Who signed it?—I do not believe any signed on that day, but they increased their subscription.

1030. By signatures?—Yes, an alteration of the figures. John Brothers altered his from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Phillpotts, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Ronald,

Ronald, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Walter, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Yates, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; that is all. Mr. *Wm. Green.* 7 March 1837.

1031. Who else was present on that day?—Mr. Phillpotts, Mr. Brothers, Mr. Page, Mr. Ronald, Colonel Skerrett, Mr. Short, Mr. Stock, Mr. Twells, and Mr. Yates.

1032. *Chairman.*] You say there was a conversation respecting the directors signing the deed; were there any who had not at that period signed and who did not sign it previously to the breaking up of the meeting of the board on that day?—Mr. Ronald was present, who had signed the deed for 1,600*l.*, and declined to increase it.

1033. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Just look at the name, and see that you are right?—I beg your pardon. I have made a mistake in the name; it is Captain Stock. He signed the deed for 1,600*l.*, and was asked to increase the amount, and he declined doing so. Captain Page was asked to increase it, and declined.

1034. *Chairman.*] What was the amount?—£. 10,000. Mr. Borradaile was asked, and declined.

1035. Had Mr. Borradaile signed it?—Yes, for 10,000*l.*

1036. He would not increase it?—He declined to increase it. Colonel Skerrett signed for 10,000*l.*, and declined to increase it.

1037. Mr. *Parkes.*] Just show me the deed? [*The deed was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

1038. *Chairman.*] When did the directors alter the figures attached to their names in the deed?—On the 14th of February.

1039. What time of the day?—Between one and two o'clock.

1040. Mr. *Parkes.*] Just see how many in number so altered the deed; were there seven directors who so increased their subscription?—There are only six.

Chairman.] You have only given us five.

1041. Mr. *Parkes.*] Give them again?—John Brothers, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Thomas Phillpotts, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Rowan Ronald, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Short, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Twells, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; Mr. Walter, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*; and Mr. Yates, from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*

1042. Are there four duplicates of the contract for signature?—There are four parts, marked A, B, C and D.

1043. To each of which the heading of the contract is attached?—Yes.

1044. Do you recollect the time when the last subscription was entered on that part of the page?—I cannot tell.

1045. Have you any recollection of it?—No.

1046. Who was in the chair?—Mr. Phillpotts.

1047. Read the minutes of the whole of that day's proceedings?—"At a meeting of the board of provisional directors of the Kent Railway Company, held at their office, No. 76, Cornhill, on Tuesday 14th February 1837:

"Present, Thomas Phillpotts, esq., in the chair; John Brothers, esq.; Robert Page, esq.; Rowan Ronald, esq.; Lieutenant-Colonel Skerrett; Henry Short, esq.; John Rodway Stock, esq.; John Twells, esq.; John Yates, esq.—Mr. Vallance and Mr. Woodgate in attendance:

"Read and confirmed the minutes of last board.

"The secretary reported the arrival of petitions, addressed to His Majesty and the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, in favour of the Kent Railway, from the following places; viz.

	H. M.	W. and F.
"From Ramsgate, signed by	192	203
"Canterbury	121	150
"Rochester	633	335
"Gravesend	505	410
"Dartford	432	429
"Greenhithe	—	34

"which were handed over to the solicitors, with instructions to have the same presented forthwith by the representatives of the respective petitioners.

"Resolved, That the secretary be instructed to wait upon such members of the board as have not yet executed the Parliamentary deed, and that those who decline to sign the same be considered as having withdrawn from the direction.

"Signed cheques in favour of F. G. Hamond, Parliamentary, 100*l.*, William Green, petty cash, 30*l.*; and adjourned till Tuesday next the 21st inst., at one o'clock precisely.

"*T. Phillpotts,* Chairman."

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1048. Mr. *Charles Lushington.*] Was it at that meeting that the alteration of the sums took place?—As to the directors?

1049. Yes?—Yes.

1050. Do you, as secretary to the institution, consider that that process was proper and unexceptionable?—To the best of my judgment, I should say so.

1051. Why is it not mentioned in the minutes?—I do not know: I did not keep this minute book.

1052. *Chairman.*] Is the sum written upon an erasure?—No.

1053. Did they re-deliver it?—Yes.

1054. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you confident of the re-delivery?—No; I had rather Mr. Smith spoke to that.

1055. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Did you see them alter it?—No.

1056. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you present?—I was in the room.

1057. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Might they not do it at any time?—Not without Mr. Smith and me being in the room.

1058. Mr. *Parkes.*] State, according to the best of your recollection, what passed in the room upon the subject of those subscriptions?—I cannot do it.

1059. What were the objections of the gentlemen who refused to increase their subscriptions?—Their dislike; I can say no more.

1060. Was it put to them *seriatim?*—The two or three I spoke to were personally requested by me.

1061. *Chairman.*] Who were they?—Captain Page was one; Mr. Borradaile was another, but that was after the board, he was not there; Colonel Skerrett and Mr. Stock.

1062. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was the gross total then subscribed, before the alteration of the several amounts, a matter of conversation at the board?—Not in my presence.

1063. Was not it a matter of conversation, the deficiency of the subscription?—Not in my presence.

1064. Did they increase the sums without any discussion?—All I heard was, that it was requisite to have an increase of signatures; and what I heard upon that head related to the directors only.

1065. Who introduced the discussion?—I do not know; I was in and out of the room.

1066. Who was present as secretary?—Mr. Smith, and this is his book.

1067. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is it usual or necessary, when a subscription is entered in a book, to have the initials against it?—I have been always taught so.

1068. When these directors changed the sums, was the initial put again by a dry pen, or in any other way?—I cannot tell; I was in and out of the room.

1069. You cannot speak to that fact, or the re-delivery?—No, I cannot.

1070. *Chairman.*] Whose initials are those opposite the sums?—Mr. Lancaster; but that was the original signing.

1071. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was Mr. Lancaster in the room at the time of the execution?—At the time of the alteration?

1072. Yes?—I do not know.

1073. Refresh your memory?—I do not know.

1074. Now, have you not sufficient knowledge of companies to know that, in well-regulated companies, there is a separate column, much larger, for the witnesses to the contract deed to sign their names in full as witnesses?—I have seen them so.

1075. Have you ever seen any deed, except your own, deficient in that respect?—I do not know that I have.

1076. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Is it not usual, in other cases, when persons increase their subscriptions, to sign their names again, specifying the additional sum?—I do not know.

1077. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] What is there to prevent that deed coming back from Mr. Hamond's office with an increase of from 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*?—Not that deed.

1078. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you not know that it is necessary for the attesting witnesses to these deeds to attend and prove, in the Committee on the Bill, the adequate subscription and the individual subscriptions to those names?—Yes.

1079. Do you not know, in taking the deed about, you would be an essential party to prove the contract between the directors and the shareholders?—I do.

1080. You mean to state, although present, and in and out of the room, and taking

taking part in the conversation, and asking some of the directors to increase their amount, you cannot state anything whatever upon the subject of the discussion?—There was nothing beyond what I have told you.

1081. Who introduced the subject?—Not I.

1082. Did you make a communication to the board, at that day's sitting, that the subscription, in its gross amount, was deficient?—I did not.

1083. Who did?—Perhaps Mr. Smith.

1084. Were you present when he did it?—No.

1085. *Chairman.*] You say there was some discussion?—Yes.

1086. Who took part in it?—Generally.

1087. Which of the directors composing the board took part in it?—The whole of them.

1088. What was the nature of the discussion?—Their own personal signatures.

1089. Mr. *Parkes.*] Being deficient considerably in amount at that day's board, and the 17th approaching, from what source did you intend to make up the deficiency?—In the way you have heard me describe.

1090. Did you send to Mr. Hamond for that purpose?—No.

1091. How came he to come to you?—Accidentally.

1092. Among whom did you intend to increase the subscription?—Among all those I knew.

1093. When was your next communication with Mr. Hamond after that deed was brought back by your porter?—I went out of town, and did not return till Thursday.

1094. When did you first meet Mr. Hamond after that deed was returned to the office?—It was after I returned from my journey.

1095. What took place between you and him, as to the subscriptions at his office?—I do not recollect any particular conversation.

1096. Was there any conversation as to 260,000*l.* being obtained by him?—Nothing with me.

1097. Was there any conversation about any cash account?—No.

1098. Had he been in the habit of obtaining payment of any disbursements on account of the company?—He had.

1099. Do you know what disbursements he had made?—No.

1100. Do you recollect when the repayment of the last was?—I must refer you to Mr. Smith for that.

1101. Have you any personal knowledge of it?—No.

1102. Did Mr. Hamond ever tell you he had laid out money in respect of the parties who had signed at his office?—No.

1103. Had you ever any communication with him upon the subject?—No.

1104. Did not Mr. Hamond get up many petitions upon the subject of the line?—Yes.

1105. Do you not know that he was paid out of the assets of the company for those petitions?—Yes.

1106. Do you not know that money was expended in relation to parties who were concerned in those petitions?—No.

1107. Is this the first time you have heard it?—Yes.

1108. To whom did Mr. Hamond render his cash account?—Principally to Mr. Smith; I believe always.

1109. Did you ever see them?—No. Yes, I have seen them.

1110. Were they large?—No.

1111. Will you state he never rendered any to you personally?—Not to my knowledge. I have no accounts, except what I have in the books.

1112. Did he never render any account to you personally, and you hand them to some other person?—One account he did, or it was a memorandum rather.

1113. What was it?—£. 62 that was.

1114. When?—I do not know; on the 7th of February. This is a copy of the memorandum he gave me: 40*l.* 6*s.*; 4*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*; parish, 15*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*; hospital, 2*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* for model of the passing through the park; total, 62*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* That is all I have got.

1115. *Chairman.*] Is that the only account he ever rendered to you?—He rendered to the office, not to me personally.

1116. Mr. *Parkes.*] When you went up to his office with the deed, will you repeat

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repeat you had no conversation with him as to the requisite amount wanting?—I had not.

1117. Had you any conversation with him as to the sums required individually?—I had not.

1118. On the return of the deed to you by the porter, did you cast up the amount?—No, I did not.

1119. When did you first know it was sufficient to comply with the Standing Order?—I think the Friday or Saturday following.

1120. After the lodgment?—Yes.

1121. What became of the deed afterwards?—It was kept in the office.

1122. Who took the deed away ultimately, to lodge it in the Private Bill office?—These deeds?

1123. Yes; or who made any copies of them; have you duplicates of the deed?—A copy was lodged.

1124. Who made the copies?—Mr. Lancaster and Mr. Smith, I believe.

1125. When did you ascertain that a sufficient subscription was made up?—On my return on the Saturday.

1126. When did you leave?—The same afternoon. I was ordered off in the afternoon, when the board was sitting.

1127. Had the deed come back, before you left?—Yes.

1128. To whom did you deliver it?—Mr. Smith.

1129. And you did not return, till the compliance with the Standing Orders?—No; on the Saturday.

1130. I will call your attention again to the two names; you say you know nothing of William Austin and Thomas Samuel Nevill; just give us a little more account of them?—I do not know anything of them.

1131. At what time in the day did they call?—Some time in the middle of the day.

1132. *Chairman.*] What day?—I do not know.

1133. On the day that Mr. Hamond met you and Mr. Smith at the office, and when Mr. Hamond found you out of spirits, did any explanation take place between you and Mr. Smith, or Mr. Hamond, as to the amount of subscription it was necessary to make up?—Not to my recollection.

1134. Mr. Hamond, on that occasion did he not offer to get signatures?—He did.

1135. Did you not explain to him the signatures wanted; to what amount?—I do not recollect to have said anything upon the subject.

1136. Mr. *Parkes.*] Am I to understand that you did not, at the time of the signatures by Mr. Austin and Mr. Nevill, know anything whatever about them?—I did not.

1137. Or whence they came, or by whom sent?—I did not.

1138. Did not the amount strike you as very great?—No, because I knew I wanted a very large amount, and I made no remark upon it.

1139. Whether Jack, Tom or Harry sent them you did not trouble your head?—[*No answer.*]

1140. Who is Frederick Brome, of Woolwich, Kent?—I do not know him.

1142. Who signs for 35,250 *l.*?—I do not know; I did not witness it; it is witnessed by Robert Lancaster.

1142. What time was it obtained?—I do not know.

1143. What was the deed you witnessed?—What is called the country deed.

1144. No other?—I do not see my name to any other.

1145. Let us see the country deed?—[*It was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

1146. Just look and see if you witnessed any other deeds?—[*The Witness examined the deeds.*] Not any of them.

1147. These comprise all the persons you have witnessed?—Yes, to the best of my belief.

1148. Have you been present on any occasion at the meetings of the board when any discussion took place upon the responsibility of the subscribers?—No.

1149. Did you ever receive any instructions for the ascertainment of such responsibility?—No.

1150. Or, to your knowledge, did any one else?—No, not to my knowledge.

1151. Is that the schedule of subscriptions, allotting the 22,000 shares of the Gravesend, that you have produced?—Yes, that is it.

1152. How was the first appropriation made of the Kent Railway shares; have

have you got the letter-book of applications?—Yes, here are four volumes [*producing one*].

1153. Do you know the number of shares applied for in the last company by letter?—[*The Witness produced a book*].

1154. Is that a digest of the names?—This is an alphabetical list of the names of the shareholders, showing who has exchanged, and who has not.

1155. Have you any schedule or digest of the applications made for shares in the last company?—Nothing beyond this book of applications.

1156. Was there ever any abstract made of that letter-book?—Yes.

1157. Do you know the gross number of applications you had from persons?—No.

1158. Be prepared to-morrow morning to return to the Committee the number of persons who applied, and the number of shares applied for?—The number of applicants is 1,303, as appears from the number of letters of applications.

1159. For what number of shares did they apply?—That I must inform you to-morrow.

1160. Now I refer back to the interview at Mr. Hamond's office, between you, Mr. Hamond and Mr. Rowley; was Mr. Hamond present when Mr. Rowley signed?—He was.

1161. Did you indicate the sum to Mr. Rowley for which he was to sign, 10,000*l.* and odd?—I did.

1162. Did you give him any instructions?—No.

1163. Did you give him any instructions at all?—I do not recollect to have given any.

1164. What passed between Mr. Hamond and Mr. Rowley, in your presence, about it?—Nothing.

1165. Did you understand that Mr. Rowley was a party about to be used to procure signatures?—No.

1166. You state that positively?—Yes.

1167. Did anything pass with you on the subject of making the amounts agree rather with the relative respectability of the addresses?—No.

1168. Did you never give any such instructions to anybody?—No.

1169. Are you sure of that?—Yes, I am.

1170. Are you ignorant of the responsible character and station of the whole body of subscribers in the deed, except those of whom you have given an account, and whose signatures you have witnessed?—Yes.

1171. Do you mean to say, you do not in your connexions know of any other persons?—I do not.

1172. Did you procure any shares for any of your friends whose signature you did not attest?—No, I do not remember any.

1173. Refresh your memory?—I do not recollect any.

1174. Are the applications for shares alphabetically arranged?—No.

1175. Are they numbered?—Yes.

1176. Are they indexed?—No.

1177. Do you know anybody of the name of Chapman?—I know a great many.

1178. Name any who are subscribers?—I do not know one.

1179. You said you knew many?—I know Mr. Chapman, a member of this Committee, and all his family.

1180. You do not know any who are subscribers?—No, I do not.

1181. Do you know Henry Cook, of Hounsditch?—No.

1182. Do you know Henry Chaplin, of Sudburn?—Yes.

1183. Who is he?—The brother-in-law of Mr. Brothers.

1184. Is he a subscriber for 20,000*l.*?—I will look and see.

1185. Have you ever seen him?—Yes.

1186. Does he live at Sudburn?—Yes.

1187. What is he?—I do not know.

1188. Is he a farmer?—I know nothing about him.

1189. Have you ever heard he is a farmer?—I have not.

1190. Where have you seen him?—At my office.

1191. When you did you first see him?—I do not recollect.

1192. When did he sign for the 20,000*l.*?—That I cannot tell; about the same period.

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1193. Is he not a subscriber for 5,000*l.* more, besides the 20,000*l.*?—I do not know.

1194. Do you know anything about his signing the deed for either of the sons?—He signed the deed about the time I have mentioned to you, previous to the 13th or 14th.

1195. Where did he so sign?—At the office.

1196. Were you there?—Yes.

1197. Who came with him?—Mr. Brothers.

1198. Who settled the sum he was to subscribe?—I do not know.

1199. Did you see him enter the 20,000*l.*?—No.

1200. How came you not to see it, if you were present?—I saw him sign for 15,000*l.*

1201. He has signed for 15,000*l.*, and 5,000*l.* more?—That I do not know.

1202. What took place when he came to sign for the 15,000*l.*?—That he came with Mr. Brothers, to sign the deed.

1203. Did he pay any deposit?—He is a shareholder in the Gravesend.

1204. Did he pay any deposit?—Not to me.

1205. How much did he subscribe in the Gravesend?—I do not know.

1206. Did Mr. Brothers bring any other person?—No.

1207. At any other period?—Not to my recollection.

1208. Recollect yourself again; what is his name?—I believe it is John Chaplin.

1209. Are you confident he was a Gravesend subscriber?—No, I am not at all; I alluded to the Kent.

1210. You mean he had been previously a subscriber?—Yes.

1211. Do you know Mr. Lamie Murray?—Yes.

1212. When did he sign for the 20,000*l.*?—He was elected director of the company the 21st of February, this year.

1213. Answer my question; when did he subscribe the 20,000*l.*?—Either that or the following day.

1214. When?—The 24th or 25th.

1215. How could that be, when you deposited the deed with his name for 20,000*l.*?—I am wrong.

1216. Refresh your memory?—I remember he was proposed some meeting before.

1217. His name is Thomas Lamie Murray, Hill-street, Berkeley-square, gentleman, 20,000*l.*?—It is not in my power to answer the question; that transaction was done by Mr. Smith.

1218. Do you know when he did execute for the 20,000*l.*?—I know, from the second question put to me, it was before the deed was lodged in the Parliamentary-office; it was proposed at a former meeting, and passed over to this meeting.

1219. Did he pay his deposit?—Not that I know of.

1220. About Mr. John Webb; do you know that he is a clerk in the Court of Requests, Greenwich?—I do not know him at all.

1221. John Webb, Dartford, Kent?—I know nothing of him.

1222. I thought you had intercourse with Mr. Fookes about him?—I know nothing but what Mr. Fookes sent me up, which I have given to the solicitor.

1223. Do you know anything of a surgeon at Southam, who is a large subscriber, of the name of Parsons?—No, I do not know anything about him.

1224. Have you ever seen him at the office?—No.

1225. Or heard of him in London lately?—No.

1226. Do you know whose connexion he is among the directors?—No.

1227. You state that positively?—Yes.

1228. Have either you or Mr. Colin Smith, to your knowledge, made any abstract of the subscribers to other companies whose names are in your deed?—I do not know of any companies.

1229. Have you made any abstract of the subscriptions of any of your subscribers to any other companies whose lists have been printed?—No.

1230. You do not know the relation of any of your directors to other companies in respect to shares?—No.

1231. Do you know Mr. Boileau?—I did know him.

1232. What was he?—Which one?

1233. The one the subscriber to the Kent Company?—He was a barrister.

1234. Where

1234. Where is he now?—I do not know.

1235. Are either of the solicitors, to your knowledge, directly or indirectly, shareholders?—I do not know that they are; I rather think they may.

1236. State what you know about it?—I do not know.

1237. State what you know; you say you believe they are; state what you know in respect of any representation of shares for them by any other party?—I know of Mr. Vallance having shares in the Gravesend Company; whether he chooses to belong to this I do not know.

1238. Has he exchanged his shares?—No.

1239. Has he paid upon them?—No.

1240. I confine my question to the Kent Railway?—He has not.

1241. Has the other solicitor?—Mr. Woodgate applied for shares for himself and his friends.

1242. How many shares has he?—I do not know; I can tell you how many he applied for: "We shall be glad to take a thousand shares in this Company; yours, Currie and Woodgate."

1243. What appropriation was made in consequence; read the letter?—"London, 14th April 1836, Lincoln's Inn. Gentlemen, We shall be glad to take a thousand shares in this Company; yours obediently, Currie and Woodgate. To the Secretary of the London and Dover Railway."

1244. Was there any appropriation to that application?—A thousand shares.

1245. Were they taken out?—I cannot tell you.

1246. *Chairman.*] Has any deposit been paid upon them?—I am unable to answer that.

1247. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know anything about them?—No.

1248. Or who represents them?—No.

1249. Nothing whatever?—No.

1250. Have you ever had any conversation with anybody upon the subject?—About the shares?

1251. You know what I mean?—No, I do not. [*The question was read.*] No.

1252. *Chairman.*] Do they appear in the contract deed?—No.

1253. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do they appear by any other person?—No.

1254. What other persons in connexion with the company applied for such a large amount of shares; tell us two or three?—I do not think I can tell you any without going through the book. [*The following extract was read from the book.*] Brome, F., Esq., Albany-street, 1,040 shares; No. of letter of application, 1,266; No. of letter of appropriation, 187.

1255. Mr. *Parkes.*] Now turn to that letter of application?—"Sir, I beg to apprise you that I am the owner of 940 Gravesend and 100 Dover shares, together 1,040, and that it is my intention to take a corresponding number in the Kent Railway, paying the difference of 1 *l.* per share. Your obedient servant, F. Brome, Albany-street, 13th June 1836. William Green, Esq., Cornhill. Postscript.—You will address me under cover to W. Woodgate, Esq., Lincoln's Inn, as I am leaving town for a short time." [*The following extract was read from the book.*] Brome, Frederick, Woolwich, 705 application, 705 appropriated; No. of letter of application not stated; No. of letter of appropriation, 773.

1256. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know the family of the Hammond's, spelt with two m's?—Yes.

1257. Where do they live?—Lombard-street.

1258. What are they?—News agents.

1259. Who is Munden Hammond?—The eldest son.

1260. £. 9,000. Who is John Hammond?—I believe the father.

1261. £. 3,000. Who is Amelia Hamond, described as of Margate, Hawley-square, 11,050 *l.*?—I do not know her.

1262. Who is she?—She is the daughter of Mr. Hamond, I believe.

1263. Why did you not answer that at first?—I said I did not know her.

1264. When did that family sign?—I do not know that.

1265. Have you any knowledge upon the subject?—No, not unless my initials are to the deed.

1266. Just see if they are?—[*The Witness examined the deed.*] It is not my initials to it.

1267. Do you know who Miss Amelia Hamond is, or what her calling in life is?—I do not know her at all.

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1268. Do you know the family of Herapath?—Yes.

1269. Where do they live?—Kensington.

1270. Are any of that family subscribers to your deed?—Yes.

1271. How many of them?—Two I have seen.

1272. Who is Spencer Herapath, Kensington, gent., 5,000 *l.*?—They are not signed by me.

1273. I did not ask you that; I asked you who he was?—I do not know him.

1274. Do you know Maria Herapath, 5,250 *l.*, spinster?—I do not know her.

1275. Do you know the father?—Very well.

1276. Intimately?—Yes.

1277. Do you know whether he, in point of fact, represents these shares?—I cannot tell you.

1278. Have you never had any communication with him upon the subject of shares?—Yes, very often.

1279. Have they had their scrip?—Not to my knowledge.

1280. Is he the proprietor and editor of the Railway Magazine?—Yes, he is.

1281. Do you know whether Maria is of age?—I know nothing about her.

1282. You and Mr. Herapath are very intimate?—We are.

1283. Do you take in the magazine?—I do.

1284. Do you ever help him in it?—No.

1285. Have you ever supplied him with materials?—No.

1286. Nor had any communication with him upon the subject?—No, I have not.

1287. Do you know John Rees Howell, Bucklersbury, gentleman, 10,000 *l.*?—I do not know anything of him whatever.

1288. Do you know anything of Edmond or Edward Charles Holland, 33, Saddle-street, 12,000 *l.*?—No, I do not; I know nothing of him.

1289. Did Mr. Herbert Hardy of Manchester have his shares?—Yes.

1290. At what period did he have them?—I do not know.

1291. Do you know Mr. Herapath of Bristol?—I do not.

1292. Do you know how he obtained his shares?—No.

1293. Or who he is?—No.

1294. Do you know Joseph Timmins, Birmingham, 15,000 *l.*?—No, I do not.

1295. Do you know William Andrews, of Dulwich, Surrey, 12,500 *l.*?—I believe that is the same gentleman you asked me about a little while ago, solicitor to the Salisbury and Exeter Railway.

1296. Yes, it is; do you know John Garth, of Battersea, Surrey, 7,500 *l.*?—No.

1297. Have you not seen him about Mr. Hamond's office?—I saw him there once I believe.

1298. What sort of a looking person is he?—Short, something like myself.

1299. Does he look as genteel as you do?—I have no opinion of myself.

1300. Yes, you have; what did you state the Irelands to be, the father and the son?—I said the senior Ireland was connected with some of the Brazilian companies, and the son a cashier in Masterman's banking-house.

1301. Do you know that the father is connected with any Brazilian companies?—Yes.

1302. How do you know that?—He told me so.

1303. Do you know Mr. Gorman Hessett, of Bloomsbury?—No, I do not.

1304. Do you know James Watson, of Alderman's-walk, 4,000 *l.*?—No.

1305. Do you know Alderman's-walk?—No, I do not.

1306. Have you never been there?—I dare say I have.

1307. Who is Miss Charlotte Fail, 16, Aldermanbury, 2,500 *l.*?—I do not know.

1308. You were well acquainted with the Gravesend deed?—I believe I am; I should say I am.

1309. And you know that the sums in that deed were comparatively very small sums in amount, compared with the Kent deed?—I believe there is a difference.

1310. Is the Committee to understand you never had any official communication, as secretary, with the board on the subject of the responsibility or respectability, or pecuniary competency of your shareholders?—Certainly.

1311. Refer to the list of your directors, and state any gentleman who was not in the habit of attending the meetings of your board?—Lieutenant Colonel Sir Andrew Leith Hay, Mr. Alger; that seems to be all.

1312. How

1312. How often has Colonel Skerrett been there?—From memory I cannot tell; I should suppose between 30 and 40 times.

1313. Point out any gentleman in the direction who has only attended two or three times, or very seldom?—Mr. Fleetwood, Member of Parliament, Mr. Pinney, Member of Parliament, Mr. Perkins and Colonel Utterton; that seems to be all.

1314. Have your board had any communications with Sir Andrew Leith Hay?—Yes.

1315. When, and how often?—On the day after Mr. Warburton presented the petition, on the evening of that day; Sir Andrew came the next morning.

1316. And withdrew his name?—Yes, he did.

1317. Had your board had any communications with Sir Andrew Leith Hay, previously to that time?—No, I had.

1318. Answer the first question; had your board, or any member of it, any communications with Sir Andrew Leith Hay, to your knowledge, from the time his name first appeared in the prospectus, till he withdrew his name?—To the best of my knowledge, not.

1319. What communication had you?—To ask him if he would favour us with his attendance.

1320. When was that?—I do not know.

1321. *Chairman.*] About what time?—Immediately after the formation of the company.

1322. Mr. *Parkes.*] What was his answer?—He would, if we had an office nearer to him.

1323. By what authority did you insert his name in the direction?—His own.

1324. In what way communicated?—From himself to me direct.

1325. I am speaking of the Kent Railway?—So am I; immediately after the prospectus was issued containing his name, I felt it my duty to call upon him to take his pleasure.

1326. Did you put it in without his consent?—I did not put it in; I was out of town; it was done without his consent, certainly.

1327. Who did it?—The committee generally.

1328. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Was the authority oral or written, to put in his name?—Orally, to me.

1329. Mr. *Parkes.*] About what time was the application after the publication of the prospectus?—About a week afterwards.

1330. Was that the time you applied to him to attend?—That was one period.

1331. Subsequently to that, detail the periods you had conversations with him?—I can only say I went up to him, occasionally, to know how we should make applications for such property as belonged to the Ordnance, and to request his attendance.

1332. *Chairman.*] Where did you see him?—At the Ordnance Office; I have also called at his private residence.

1333. What was the business connected with the Ordnance Office to which you refer?—It was necessary to make an application to the office to obtain their assent or dissent to some property belonging to the office.

1334. What property?—Land.

1335. Where situated?—At Woolwich.

1336. Mr. *Parkes.*] At any other place, Chatham or Dover?—I cannot say more than I have done, of my own knowledge.

1337. What passed in consequence of that?—He told me that a public letter should be addressed by the directors or the engineer on behalf of the company, which I presume was done, and the answer was sent to the office.

1338. Have you had any other communications with him?—Yes, frequently; I have called upon him, at his own desire, to inform him how we were going on.

1339. Did you inform him?—Yes, what I knew.

1340. Had he any shares in the company?—Yes.

1341. How many?—I do not know.

1342. How do you know he had any?—They were allotted to him in the Gravesend.

1343. Confine yourself to the Kent?—He certainly holds shares.

1344. Was he a shareholder in the Kent Railway?—Yes.

1345. To what amount?—His qualification.

1346. He

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1346. He does not appear in the deed?—No, he has refused to sign it.
1347. Did he take his shares out?—Yes, 20.
1348. And paid for them?—Yes.
1349. How do you know he took them out?—I delivered them to him.
1350. Did you receive the money?—No.
1351. Who did?—I presume, the bankers.
1352. Have you any knowledge whether he paid or not?
1353. *Chairman.*] What was it you delivered to him?—The 20 shares.
1354. Scrip?—Yes, certificates.
1355. Mr. *Parkes.*] When did you deliver it?—I do not know.
1356. Did you receive in exchange any of the Gravesend shares?—No.
1357. Was not he a large subscriber to the Gravesend?—Yes.
1358. Was not he a subscriber of 7,000*l.*?—Yes.
1359. Was not he a considerable subscriber in the Dover?—I do not know.
1360. You do not know of his subscribing 5,000*l.*?—No.
1361. How do you know he refused to sign the deed?—He refused to me.
1362. Did you take the deed to him?—No, but I should have done it; he would have signed but for this.
1363. When?—Previous to this petition being presented.
1364. *Chairman.*] Was it since the meeting of Parliament?—I do not know when Parliament met; it was about a week before the presentation of Mr. Warburton's petition.
1365. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where was it?—At his own office.
1366. When did he refuse to sign it?—The day of his resignation.
1367. He had not refused to sign it before?—No; he had requested me to bring the deed, but want of time prevented my doing it.
1368. Is that all the shares you know of his having?—Yes.
1369. Directly or indirectly?—Yes.
1370. How often do you think you have had communication with him?—I do not know; I suppose, three or four times.
1371. In the whole?—Yes.
1372. Have you had any written communications with him?—No.
1373. Or, to your knowledge, the board with him?—No.
1374. Have you gone to him upon the subject of consent to pass through the land?—No.
1375. Which of the directors did you consider the most active and responsible in your board; by using the word responsible, I mean, who attended most to the interests of the company and subscribers?—Mr. Borradaile, Mr. Brothers, Capt. Page, Mr. Phillpotts, Mr. Ronald, Col. Skerrett, Mr. Stock, Mr. Twells, and Mr. Yates.
1376. Whom did you look up to among them, as the person of the most authority, or who most interfered in the concerns of the company?—I generally applied to Mr. Phillpotts.
1377. The chairman?—Yes.
1378. Was he the gentleman that usually took the chair?—Certainly.
1379. Do you mean to state to the Committee that at no time since the formation of the company had you any communication with Mr. Phillpotts upon the subject of the subscription deed?—Certainly not.
1380. Or the amount rendered necessary?—No.
1381. Or the amount subscribed?—No.
1382. Except what took place at the board?—That is all.
1383. Do you know when Mr. James Walker's estimate reached the direction?—I have no knowledge, except from an indirect communication.
1384. Have you seen it?—No.
1385. Did he make a report to the board?—No.
1386. No report whatever?—No.
1387. Are you certain of that?—Yes.
1388. What is your indirect knowledge?—From Mr. Smith, my colleague.
1389. Upon that occasion was the estimate before you?—No, I have never seen it.
1390. Have you had any conversation with the solicitor on the subscription deed?—No.
1391. Or the deficiency or the amount?—No.
1392. Or on the subject of the estimate?—No.

1393. When

1393. When did you know the amount of the estimate was 3,000,000 *l.*?—Monday morning, the 13th of February.

1394. Who told you?—Mr. Smith.

1395. That was the first time you heard of it?—Yes.

1396. Did Mr. James Walker ever attend the board?—Frequently.

1397. And the solicitor?—Almost always.

1398. Was the subscription deed inspected by the directors in your presence?—No, except their own signatures.

1399. On the subject of the funds of the company, you had no communication with the directors?—No.

1400. Had Mr. Colin Smith to your knowledge?—I dare say he had.

1401. You were the sole secretary of the Gravesend, were you not?—Yes.

1402. Did you ever make out any analysis of the several subscriptions to the Gravesend and Dover and the Kent, with a view of ascertaining the number of shares or persons that passed from the three preceding companies into the last?—No, I did not.

1403. Were you ever applied to to do it?—No.

1404. Of the responsibility of the persons who presented claims for transfers and brought the scrip to the office, you knew nothing?—Very little indeed.

1405. And took no pains to inform yourself?—No; I have generally taken the out-door business, and have been very little in the committee; my object has been to go into the country, and get public petitions.

1406. Who managed the transfer business?—Mr. Lancaster.

1407. Did Col. Leith Hay bring any old scrip in exchange?—No; I understood he had sold them all.

1408. Whom did you understand that from?—I cannot tell you; I do not know that I could name it; I heard as much.

1409. Cannot you tell, by referring to the number of the scrip originally issued, and the number corresponding with the names of the parties to whom they were issued, whether this scrip was brought by persons other than those who had been original subscribers?—I do not think it is possible, because the sale and transfer has been so multifarious that it is not possible to trace them.

1410. What course did you pursue in the Gravesend Company in issuing the scrip; did you not keep a register of the scrip?—Yes, I believe it was kept.

1411. By comparing the record with the scrip given in afterwards, you have a record of the persons who brought the scrip in?—The only record kept of persons claiming to exchange, is what name they claim the new scrip in, upon delivering up the old, and that name is registered in those certificate books.

1412. Is the number of the scrip brought in added to their names?—No.

1413. Are you aware what number of persons originally, in the three preceding companies, are now subscribers to the Kent?—No, I never looked.

1414. Do you not know they are very few?—I think it possible.

1415. You have no personal knowledge?—Not the least.

1416. Were the applications for the Gravesend shares numerous?—They were 80,000.

1417. Do you know nothing whatever of getting up the petitions at Greenwich by Mr. Hamond?—No, certainly not; I have only a report of it.

1418. Do you know a person of the name of Chamberlain, who was a subscriber for a large sum?—I have seen him come to the office.

1419. Who is he?—I believe he is a stock-broker; I have heard so.

1420. Where?—I do not know, I do not know him; he is no acquaintance of mine.

1421. You have often seen him come to the office?—Yes, to Mr. Smith.

1422. What sort of a looking person is he?—Very respectable.

1423. Is he a subscriber for 5,000 *l.*?—I do not know.

1424. You know nothing of him?—Nothing.

1425. After you discovered the inadequacy of your subscription, on the knowledge of Mr. James Walker's estimate, did any member of the board besides those you have mentioned, and Mr. Twells, communicate with you on the subject of those persons who increased their amount?—No.

1426. Excepting in the instances you have named, are you entirely ignorant of any names attached to the deeds, without deposits, on the 13th and 14th?—I knew no others than I have described to you.

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1427. Do you know any other parties who have obtained subscriptions in like manner?—It is possible Mr. Smith may have done it.

1428. Do you not know that he has done it?—No.

1429. Do you not know it from himself?—No.

1430. Do you know of any other person probable?—Very likely Mr. Lancaster may have done it.

1431. What was your salary?—Mine?

1432. Yes?—£.300 a-year.

1433. Have you a house?—I wish I had.

1434. What were the different houses in Cornhill where this company appears at different numbers?—There are only two; the original company was at 26, Cornhill, which we might have had now, but the Great Western begged me to give it up, and I took 76.

1435. Have you been directly or indirectly interested in any shares yourself in the Kent?—No, not one; or any other company either.

1436. Or any of the three preceding companies?—No; the directors kindly placed at my disposal a certain number of shares, not one of which have I ever touched.

1437. What number did they place at your disposal?—Three hundred.

1438. When?—It is too far back.

1439. In this company?—In the Gravesend.

1440. Who had those shares?—Nobody.

1441. Nor any one of them appropriated?—No, not one; I never made a shilling by a share in my life in any company I belonged to, nor ever sold one.

1442. Did you insert the various advertisements, from the beginning to the end of February, relating to this company?—I may have assisted in it; Mr Smith has generally done that.

1443. Do you recollect the later insertions in the Dover paper?—Yes.

1444. Were they done by you?—Yes, by me.

1445. Have you brought with you the papers I gave you notice to produce?—I believe everything is here.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. Brotherton.
Mr. Thornely.	Mr. John Young.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	Mr. Dugdale.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *William Green*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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1446. HAVE you any corrections to make in your evidence of yesterday?—Yes, I have.

1447. Please to make them?—You asked me yesterday if I had received any written communication from Sir Andrew Leith Hay; I said, no: but I did not recollect then that I possessed a written communication of his resignation; nor did I recollect at that time another which I was in possession of; but, in looking for the former one I have alluded to, I found this. It is a letter addressed to William Green, esq., Kent Railway Office, 76, Cornhill, containing an enclosure, dated Eaton-square, November the 2d. "Dear sir,—I send the certificates enclosed, which I request you will hold as the account of my qualification for a seat in the direction of the Kent Railway Company. I am, dear sir, yours faithfully, A. D. Hay. William Green, esq." These are two of the Kent certificates amounting to 20 shares.

1448. Those are the Kent shares you alluded to in your evidence of yesterday?—Yes.

1449. The 2d of November last is the date?—Yes.

1450. Mr. *Rotch.*] Have you the letter of resignation?—I have sent for it, and expect it here every moment.

1451. *Chairman.*] Was it usual that you, as secretary, should hold these certificates

ficates which qualified each director for a seat at the board of directors?—I do no know that it is usual; I have held them for two or three gentlemen at their request.

1452. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any other corrections to make?—No; I have only to state that you have asked me to produce other documents to-day; but, in consequence of being kept here, I have not had time to draw them out; I will present them as soon as I can.

1453. Were the shares of Sir Andrew Leith Hay taken out by him in consequence of an application in writing, or verbal?—I do not know.

1454. Who were the other directors whose shares you held in custody?—Mr. Perkins, Mr. Digby Neave, and Capt. Page; I do not recollect any other.

1455. What amount had you in possession for each of those gentlemen respectively?—I think the same amount for Mr. Perkins and Mr. Neave, to a much larger amount for Captain Page.

1456. What was the qualification for your direction?—£. 1,000.

1457. Give me the four contract deeds? [*They were handed to Mr. Parkes.*]—Those are the three.

1458. Where is the fourth?—There are no names to the fourth.

1459. Who signed the certificates?—The various directors, at their convenience.

1460. *Chairman.*] Was it done on the board days only, or any other day?—Any day they could conveniently devote time to it.

1461. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any personal knowledge at what period Mr. Twells subscribed the 20,000 *l.* and 7,500 *l.*; which appears on the contract deed in two distinct sums, consisting of 20,000 *l.* as one of the altered original subscriptions, and 7,500 *l.* besides?—I have not.

1462. Could you, by pointing to the deed at all, ascertain the time?—No; I could not.

1463. Just turn to the signature, and tell the Committee, to the best of your knowledge, when the directors signed for the first time; when did you begin the signatures?—I have no recollection whatever.

1464. When do you remember seeing it signed by anybody?—I cannot say at all.

1465. Just reflect a moment?—I do not know.

1466. Try?—I cannot tell.

1467. Was it last November?—No; I do not know.

1468. Was it Christmas?—No; I cannot tell.

1469. Was it since Christmas?—I cannot tell.

1470. Was it before Christmas?—I cannot tell.

1471. Who can tell?—I do not know.

1472. *Chairman.*] You have stated a number of minute particulars; you must recollect when it was you saw so important an instrument as the deed signed?—I cannot tell you the date.

1473. To whom did Messrs. Currie & Woodgate deliver the deeds?—They were left at the office, 76, Cornhill.

1474. Were you present at the time they were left?—I do not recollect.

1475. Mr. *Parkes.*] Cannot you form the slightest idea of when the deeds first commenced receiving signatures?—I cannot myself tell.

1476. What year was it; was it the 14th of June 1836; the day it bears date?—Yes, it must be June 1836.

1477. You have no knowledge of the date?—No, my signature is not attached to any of the names.

1478. Show me the deed upon which the figures were increased by the directors, on the day alluded to yesterday?—This is it [*handing it to Mr. Parkes*].

1479. Show me that deed?

[*Another deed was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

1480. To your knowledge, was there an increase of their figures by any parties, besides the directors, on the occasion alluded to?—No; I do not know of any.

1481. Do you know Mr. William Hale?—No.

1482. Do you know William Hale of No. 8, London-road, Southwark?—No.

1483. Do you know that he is a subscriber for 4,800 *l.*?—I do not.

1484. Do you see the alteration of the figures there?—Yes, I do; but I know nothing of it.

1485. Do you see the alteration of the figures against the name of James Tellon or Fellon, Royal-mews, Pimlico, gent.?—Yes, I see it.

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1486. Do you know who he is?—I know nothing about it.

1487. Look at this name, Thomas Rake, 10, Duke-street, Southwark, gent.?—I know nothing of it.

1488. Tell me whose initials they are against this alteration?—Robert Lancaster.

1489. Do you know anything on the subject of the alteration?—No.

1490. Do you know John Edward Lane, of Great Berkhamstead, nurseryman?—No.

1491. Do you know anything of the alteration of those figures?—No.

1492. Do you know Alfred Cutting, of the Stock Exchange, gent.?—No.

1493. Or the alteration of the figures 2,500 *l.*?—No.

1494. You know nothing of the alteration of any figures to which your initials are not attached?—Certainly not.

1495. What was the name of the clerk at Mr. Phillpott's office, who signed it the 13th or 14th?—W. M. De Charm.

1496. Do you know anything of the two different subscriptions, and of the period at which they were given, of Mr. Walter, for 20,000 *l.* and 13,000 *l.*?—No, I do not.

1497. Do you know what was done in respect to Mr. Brome's letter; was there an answer addressed to it?—I dare say there was, I do not know it.

1498. Was it sent by you?—No.

1499. Consider a little; have you any means of ascertaining?—I do not know anything about it.

1500. Do you know whether you answered personally, as one of the two secretaries, that letter of Mr. Brome?—No.

1501. Do you know who did?—No.

1502. Have you ever seen Mr. Brome?—No.

1503. Do you know anything about him?—No.

1504. Do you know anything as to the payments of the deposits, further than as they appear by the bankers' book, or the cash account of the company?—No.

1505. Who is the gentleman connected with the company that can give us information upon that subject?—Mr. Lancaster.

1506. Anybody else?—I do not know of any one.

1507. Did you ever receive any deposits from any one?—No.

1508. No one?—No.

1509. Did I understand you correctly, that you had not, nor the directors, to your knowledge, taken any steps to ascertain the responsibility, or station, or character of the persons exchanging the Gravesend and other scrip for the Kent scrip, in order to effect the appropriation?—No.

1510. Had you any knowledge at all of the general character of a description of persons known as letter-writing share hunters?—In the Gravesend list I had.

1511. What knowledge did you derive upon that list?—By a list that is in the book you have.

1512. How did you obtain that list, or what list do you allude to?—

[*The Witness referred to the book.*]

These are the lists [*pointing them out to Mr. Parkes*].

1513. What lists are they?—They were sent to me under cover, stating that they were names that should not be allowed to have shares appropriated to them.

1514. Comprising in number about 78 names?—I do not know the number.

1515. From whom did you get that?—I cannot tell you.

1516. Was it an anonymous letter?—Yes.

1517. Marked "private," and addressed "William Green, esq.?"—Yes.

1518. When did you receive that letter?—I do not know the date.

1519. During the time you were in the London and Gravesend Company?—Yes.

1520. Was that the only information you got, as to that class of persons?—Yes.

1521. Did you ever compare that list with your Kent deed?—No.

1522. Did you communicate it to your board of directors?—To the Gravesend board of directors.

1523. Had your Kent board of directors access to the books of the other company?—Not to that book.

1524. Where was it?—In the office.

1525. Is

1525. Is that the only information you had of the surnames of share-hunting letter writers?—Yes.

1526. Do you mean to say, you did not pay a sum of money in order to obtain further information?—Yes, I did.

1527. From what source did you derive the information?—A man of the name of Evans.

1528. At what period?—In the early part of the formation of the company, previous to the distribution of the shares.

1529. What information did he give you, and in what form?—I believe that is a copy of the letter and the list [*pointing to the same*].

1530. Are these your marks?—No.

1531. Whose are they?—I do not know.

1532. Look at them, and say who made those marks.—I do not know.

1533. Were they made at the time it came to you?—Yes.

1534. That you are sure of?—Yes.

1535. As secretary of the Gravesend Company, have you made any comparison of the Kent list of subscriptions, allotted and appropriated, with this list?—I have not.

1536. Why did you not do it, as secretary?—I did not consider it necessary.

1537. Why?—I had no occasion.

1538. Did you ever observe the great number of names in the Kent list, that are in this list?—I do not know that they are; I have never compared them.

1539. Do you not know it; just read it over, and see if you do not find many there that are in the Kent list?—I do not know the Kent list; I have casually looked over it.

1540. Did you look over the list of additional names obtained to the deed at Mr. Hammond's?—Not till after I came from my journey.

1541. Did you see any of your old friends?—I do not acknowledge them as friends.

1542. Did you see some of the names upon that list?—I have never examined them.

1543. Did you compare them with the previous signatures?—No.

1544. Was not it a matter of notoriety to you, that a number of the applicants for shares in all companies were needy persons, of a gambling description, and of no pecuniary property?—Of my own knowledge I do not know it.

1545. Was not it a matter of notoriety to you, that such was the fact?—I have heard it.

1546. Do you not know it?—No, I do not.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question which alluded to "all companies,' and, at the suggestion of the Chairman, the question was altered to the following:

1547. Are you not cognizant of the fact, that in the two companies with which you were connected previously to your engagement as secretary in the Kent Company, that a great number of needy and necessitous persons applied for shares?—I do not.

1548. Did you not produce yesterday a list of 80,000 applicants for shares?—I did.

1549. Do you profess yourself ignorant of the character of those applicants?—I do.

1550. And you do not know the character of the persons in that list?—I do not.

1551. Did you never take any pains, except in obtaining this list and another anonymous list, to test the character of the persons applying?—No other.

1552. What did you give for the list you got from a gentleman of the name of Evans?—Five pounds.

1553. Do you know he has supplied several companies with copies of a similar paper?—He told me he had.

1554. Did you not expend that 5 *l.* for the interest of the Kent Company, for that private information?—No.

1555. Why did you give it him?—It was for the Gravesend Company.

1556. And you, as secretary of the consolidated company, had possession of that paper, and a knowledge of it, when you were secretary to the Kent?—Yes.

1557. Although binding it up in that book, do you mean to say again, you have never given any attention to it?—I have not opened the book since.

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1558. Previous to the binding it up, had you given no attention to it?—As regards the Gravesend Company.

1559. You had a knowledge of it as regards the Gravesend Company?—It was furnished to me for that purpose.

1560. Did you use it?—By order of the directors.

1561. Did you compare the letters of application with that list?—The directors did.

1562. Had you not a copy of that list, before you had that particular one from Mr. Evans?—No.

1563. Had you not a copy from Mr. Moxon?—No, I believe this is it; I had never any other but this.

1564. *Chairman.*] What do you mean by saying you "believe this is it?"—This is the only one I ever had.

1565. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is it bound up in the Gravesend book?—Yes.

1566. Whom did you derive that particular paper from, bound up in that book?—To the best of my knowledge from Mr. Evans.

1567. Did you not get a copy of that paper from Mr. Evans, at the latter end of last year?—No.

1568. Do you state that positively?—Yes.

1569. Did you not get that from Mr. Evans, and another from Mr. Moxon?—No, I did not.

1570. Recollect yourself?—I did not.

1571. When was that book bound?—I do not know.

1572. Who bound it?—The stationer of the company.

1573. By your direction?—Yes.

1574. Has it been bound a year or two?—I cannot tell to a month.

1575. Did you not have from Mr. Moxon, for the Gravesend Company, a list quite distinct from the document you derived from Mr. Evans?—I do not recollect at all.

1576. Are you satisfied you had not that list from Mr. Evans last year?—I am satisfied this is the only one I had from Mr. Evans; I had none from him last year.

1577. Did you get any from any of the other companies?—No.

1578. Did you get any from the Brighton?—No.

1579. Did you take any steps to inform yourself, through the secretaries of other companies, of the names and addresses of these letter share hunters?—No, I did not.

1580. Do you not know that among companies these lists go by the name of the black lists?—Yes, I have been told so.

1581. Then, for the last time, the Committee are to understand from you, as one of the secretaries of this company, and the original secretary of the Gravesend Company, that you personally by yourself, or in relation to any of the directors, took no pains to test the Kent list of subscribers?—I did not.

1582. Have you any knowledge of anybody belonging to the company, who did?—No.

1583. You stated yesterday you had never held shares in any company: do you wish to correct that part of your evidence?—I stated I never held any shares in any company I belonged to.

1584. *Chairman.*] What do you mean by belonging to?—As secretary: I have had no shares whatever of any company I have belonged to, as secretary.

1585. Mr. *Parkes.*] Nor any held indirectly for you?—No.

1586. Or in which you were interested?—No.

1587. Or in the profit upon the sale of which you participated?—Not any at all.

1588. Have you got any of the papers you had to produce?—I apologise for not doing it.

1589. You are to make out a correct return of the 29,000 *l.*?—I will do so.

1590. You have got the exchanged scrip of the Gravesend?—It appears so.

1591. And the bankers' pass book?—Yes.

1592. And the minute book of the direction?—Yes.

1593. *Chairman.*] Did you derive any information from Mr. Moxon, as to any black list?—Mr. Moxon was one of the directors who assisted to select the appropriations in the Gravesend Company.

1594. You seem to refer to some black list you had, independently of that you obtained from Mr. Evans?—No, no other than that which is in that book.

1595. Did you apply to Mr. Evans for it?—No.

1596. What

1596. What brought you in contact with Mr. Evans?—He called at my office.

1597. How did the Gravesend board of directors deal with this information, when they obtained it?—The directors, upon assembling, required to have a list of all letters of applications put before them, that they might select such persons as they thought fit to have appropriations, and they apportioned them.

1598. Well?—Those lists were referred to, and checked off by the letters.

1599. The information was not considered as altogether of no value, but it did serve to guide the directors in their rejecting applications for shares?—Yes.

1600. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you wish to make any correction about your knowledge of Mr. Austin in Chancery-lane, a subscriber for a large sum?—No, I do not know anything of him. I have no alteration to make in what I have said.

1601. Have you heard anything?—No.

1602. You have no knowledge whatever of him?—No.

1603. Do you repeat that to the Committee?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

1604. I think I understood you to say, you were secretary to the London, Folkstone and Dover Railway?—Yes.

1605. Is that the same company that is now the South-Eastern?—Yes, it is.

1606. The particulars of the traffic of passengers, which you say you applied to the Gravesend line, you acquired at the time you were secretary to that company?—Yes.

1607. In conjunction with Mr. Yates, who is secretary to the South-Eastern?—Yes, subsequently with him.

1608. Is Mr. Parkes the agent to the South-Eastern line?—I have heard so.

1609. You were examined as a witness upon the Bill for the South-Eastern Railway?—I was.

1610. Were you examined on behalf of the London and Gravesend Railway?—Yes, I was.

1611. They were opposing the South-Eastern?—Yes.

1612. After you became secretary to the London and Gravesend Company, do you know of Colonel Landmann having been employed to survey the line?—Yes, he was.

1613. Did he make an estimate; was it upon his estimate you proceeded for requiring the capital of one million?—Yes.

1614. Do you happen to know, also, whether Colonel Landmann surveyed the Dover line?—I do not know it.

1615. Have you heard that he did so?—Yes.

1616. The estimate for the Gravesend was 600,000 *l.*?—Yes.

1617. The estimate for the Dover was 1,000,000 *l.*?—I do not know; I believe it was.

1618. You became, together with Mr. Smith, the secretary for the Kent Railway?—I did.

1619. Are you acquainted with the directors of that company?—I am.

1620. Just let me call your attention to some of them: Sir Andrew Leith Hay, he is a gentleman connected with the Government, and a Member of Parliament?—Yes.

1621. Mr. Fleetwood, was he another director?—Yes.

1622. Is he a Member of Parliament for Preston?—Yes.

1623. And a gentleman of property, I believe?—Represented to me, of very large property.

1624. Was Mr. Pinney, another director, a Member of Parliament?—Yes.

1625. And a gentleman, I believe, of very great respectability?—Very much so.

1626. Who is Mr. Alger, another director?—Solicitor and secretary to the Preston and Wyre Railway Company.

1627. I believe he is a highly respectable gentleman, and well connected?—I am so told.

1628. William Borradaile, is he a merchant of high character and great respectability in the city?—Yes.

1629. Mr. Brothers, we hear, resides at Norwood Lodge, Norwood; is he a Lieutenant in the navy?—Yes.

1630. Do you know whether he possesses property at Leamington, in Warwickshire?—He has told me he has large property there.

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1631. Was he a holder of shares to a considerable extent in the Gravesend Railway?—Very large.

1632. Mr. Edward Hughes, of Sneeth-hall House in Kent, is he a gentleman of landed property in that county?—Of great respectability, and of landed property.

1633. Mr. George Money, he is a barrister by profession?—Yes, and a man of very great wealth.

1634. Amassed in the East Indies?—Yes.

1635. He was a Master in Equity in India?—I do not know that.

1636. Captain Page, of Upper Seymour-street, Portman-square, he is in the army, and has a large estate in Somersetshire?—He is.

1637. And a magistrate for the county?—Yes, I believe so at least.

1638. I believe he is not a magistrate. Mr. Charles Perkins, of Lee, is a merchant of high respectability in the city?—Yes; and a relative of Mr. Perkins the brewer.

1639. Thomas Phillpotts, another director, is a merchant of very great respectability, and the brother of the Bishop of Exeter?—Yes; and of the late member for Gloucester.

1640. Mr. Ronald, of Upper Berkeley-street, is a gentleman, I believe, of fortune realized in the East Indies?—Yes.

1641. And a director of the National Bank of Ireland?—Yes, he is.

1642. Doctor Rowe resides at Chigwell, and is a medical gentleman?—Yes; in very large practice.

1643. And of great respectability?—Very much so.

1644. Colonel Skerrett is an officer of fortune, and of high character?—Yes; living on his own estate at Knockholt in Kent.

1645. Mr. Short is a member of the University of Cambridge, and a gentleman of private fortune?—Yes; and of great respectability.

1646. Captain Stock is, I believe, a captain in the India service?—I believe he is.

1647. A gentleman of fortune and respectability?—Very much so.

1648. Mr. Twells is a partner in the house of Spooner, Attwood & Co.?—Yes, he is.

1649. *Chairman.*] Do you know him to be a partner?—I only speak from report.

1650. Mr. *Thesiger.*] With regard to Colonel Utterton, I believe he resides near Croydon?—He does.

1651. And a gentleman of the very highest respectability?—I have been always told so.

1652. Mr. George Walter was originally secretary, and is now one of the directors of the Greenwich Railway Company?—He is.

1653. The managing director?—He is.

1654. The Greenwich Railway, we are informed, is a flourishing concern?—So I am told.

1655. Are the shares at a premium?—They are.

1656. John Yeats, of London-street, Canal-dock, Limehouse, is he a gentleman engaged in business, and a contractor to a considerable extent?—Of great respectability, and managing director of a very large railroad.

1657. *Chairman.*] What railroad is it?—The Exeter, Falmouth and Plymouth.

1658. Mr. *Thesiger.*] You have stated, in your examination in chief, that after the formation of the Kent Railway Company, an advertisement was issued to the shareholders of the London and Gravesend and of the London and Dover Railway Companies?—Yes.

1659. Inviting them to come in and exchange their shares for shares in the new company?—Yes.

1660. In consequence of that advertisement, did persons come in who were shareholders in these two companies?—Yes.

1661. Was it the invariable course, when persons came with scrip from those companies, to exchange them for shares immediately in the new company?—Yes.

1662. No inquiry was made into the character and circumstances of the persons who were the holders of scrip in those two companies?—No.

1663. Did you consider, under the advertisement issued, you had any right to institute any such investigation?—Certainly not.

1664. It was quite sufficient, in pursuance of the terms of the advertisement, that they should be holders of scrip in those companies to be entitled to exchange?—Yes.

1665. It

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1665. It is stated here, "that any proprietor who may prefer to have the deposit already made returned to him, may receive the same after deducting a proportion of the expense which has been incurred, so soon as the accounts can be made up and settled, of which notice will be given at the earliest opportunity, provided they express their intention in writing to the secretary, 76, Cornhill, on or before the 22d day of April instant." How many persons who were shareholders in the Gravesend and Dover Company took advantage of this opportunity to obtain their deposits back again?—Two.

1666. Do you know the amount of their shares?—Five shares each.

1667. I am speaking of course of the time prior to the presentation of the petition by Mr. Warburton?—No others have demanded it prior to that, but subsequently to the 22d of April.

1668. Before the petition was presented by Mr. Warburton, how many persons had applied to have their deposits returned who had been shareholders in the Gravesend and Dover?—Two.

1669. Have any persons applied since the petition was presented?—Yes.

1670. How many?—One.

1671. Were the persons who applied before to have their deposits returned, paid?—Yes they were.

1672. Then are we to understand that three applicants is the sum of those who have applied to have their deposits returned?—To the best of my knowledge.

1673. Do you happen to know how many shares in the Gravesend and Dover are now outstanding, unexchanged for scrip, in the present company?—About 6,000 shares.

1674. *Chairman.*] Is that in the two first companies?—In the Gravesend and Dover. It is rather more than 6,000; I cannot speak precisely.

1675. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Are those 6,000 shares, shares upon which deposits have been paid?—Yes.

1676. How many shares would they exchange for in the Kent?—3,000 of the Kent.

1677. Which money would amount to 150,000 *l.* capital?—Yes.

1678. What was the deposit paid upon those shares?—£. 1.

1679. Each of course?—Yes.

1680. Have any of those persons expressed any dissent to the arrangement proposed, of transferring themselves to the new Kent Railway?—No, not to my knowledge.

1681. After the formation of the Kent Railway Company, did the directors, from time to time, attend regularly, and did they appear to you to have in view the object for which they had united themselves?—Yes, they did.

1682. Did they appear to you to attend fairly and regularly, with a view to the carrying that object into effect?—Certainly.

1683. Do you believe that it was their intention honestly to establish a company, and obtain a bill for the purpose of a railway, if it could be obtained?—Most decidedly.

1684. Do you consider that the body of directors were actuated by any intention of getting out of the concern, if the shares got to a premium?—O dear, no!

1685. Were the meetings regularly convened?—Every Tuesday.

1686. Was the business conducted in a way that satisfied you that the object was fairly to conduct the undertaking?—Certainly.

1687. We hear there was a prospectus published, stating that the capital was to be 2,000,000 *l.*?—Yes.

1688. Before Mr. Walker gave in the estimate of which we have heard, had any orders been given to publish that advertisement twice in the newspaper, in the Dover Telegraph?—No, there were no orders given, except through me.

1689. Pray attend. Did you give orders to have it published twice in the Dover Telegraph?—Yes, I did.

1690. I believe it had only been published once before the increased estimate?—No.

1691. *Chairman.*] Do you mean it had only been published once?—Yes.

1692. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Did you countermand the order you had given for the publication?—No.

1693. It was published again in consequence of your original order?—Yes.

1694. Was it published a second time, in consequence of the order you had originally given to have it published twice; and that order not countermanded?—Yes.

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1695. Perhaps you will be good enough to explain how it was, when the estimate was increased, you did not give an order to countermand the publication?—I did not recollect the necessity for it.

1696. Was it in fact a mere accident that it was published a second time?—Yes, certainly.

1697. On the 13th of February, the time when you believed the capital was to be 2,000,000 *l.*, had you obtained subscriptions to your deed of more than half of the amount of the capital required?—Yes.

1698. After you heard that additional subscriptions were requisite, you have stated you went with the deed to different persons who, you thought, would sign upon your application?—I did.

1699. Were the different persons to whom you applied personally, persons of respectability?—I went to them on that account.

1700. You say that Mr. Austen and another person came to you at the office?—Yes.

1701. Was it any part of your duty, as secretary, to examine the persons who came to sign your deed?—No.

1702. Or make an inquiry into their sufficiency of character?—No, I should not do it.

1703. Just let us understand, and have this clearly upon the notes, your subscription deed was in three parts?—Yes.

1704. That deed, or those three parts of the deed, were left in the office in your custody, and that of Mr. Smith, for the purpose of the signatures of subscribers?—Yes.

1705. On the 14th of February the directors met at one o'clock?—Yes.

1706. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] You have stated you did not consider it your duty, as secretary to this society, to examine into the respectability of persons coming to subscribe to the deed?—Yes.

1707. If it was not your duty, was it anybody's duty, connected with the company?—Not that I know.

1708. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Do you mean to say that those persons who came to sign, came in conformity with the letters of application?—And presented scrip.

1709. And in connexion with the letters of application?—Yes.

1710. A man from the street could not come in, without he produced the scrip?—No.

1711. Mr. *Young.*] And before the scrip was signed, the directors had taken some steps?—Either they themselves, or the accountant, would examine the scrip, give him an exchange in the Kent, previously asking him to sign the deed for the amount of the scrip delivered.

1712. Mr. *Dugdale.*] No scrip was given, except in answer to letters?—No.

1712*. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Do you know whether persons who brought scrip from the Gravesend and Dover, were persons who had purchased it in the market?—I could not know that.

1713. Where directors are men of substance, and have signed the deed, it is their object to obtain men of character and substance to join with them?—Yes.

1714. If persons of no credit and capital are admitted to sign the deed, the responsibility falls upon them to a greater extent?—Yes.

1715. All the expenses of the Act, the preliminary expenses, and the expenses of the survey?—Yes.

1716. Is it to meet those expenses that the deposits are required upon the shares?—Yes.

1717. We hear you had deposits, at that time, to the amount of upwards of 30,000*l.*?—Yes, from first to last.

1718. Would that sum have been sufficient, in your judgment, to meet all the preliminary expenses prior to the obtaining of the Act?—Yes.

1719. Do you remember the prospectus of the Kent Railway Company, in which the capital was stated to be 2,000,000 *l.*, being in the office, and altered and corrected in any way?—Yes, it was.

1720. Was Mr. James Walker, the engineer, present?—Yes.

1721. Do you know when this was?—No, I do not.

1722. Can you tell us about the date?—It was about the latter end of October, I think.

1723. You

1723. You say Mr. Walker was present; did Mr. Walker assist in correcting the prospectus?—Yes, he did.

1724. Just look whether that is the prospectus of which you are speaking [*handing a prospectus to the Witness*]?—No, it is not.

1725. Is that [*handing another prospectus to the Witness*]?—Yes, this is it.

1726. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is Mr. Walker's name to it?—Yes.

1727. Mr. *Thesiger.*] That is the one that was corrected?—Merely in the wording of the prospectus, the lower part of it.

1728. Was it in consequence of the survey which Mr. Walker had made?—Yes.

1729. This proposed capital of 2,000,000*l.* was 400,000*l.* beyond the joint capital, or the proposed capital of the Gravesend and Dover?—Yes.

1730. Do you know whether the capital of the South Eastern was 1,400,000*l.*?—I do not know.

1731. By the Act it is not exceeding 1,400,000*l.*; the South Eastern and the Croydon Railway to join at 140,000*l.*, making a total of 1,540,000*l.* for the whole distance of the South Eastern; are you aware yourself, upon what data the directors of the Kent Railway proceeded in estimating the proposed capital at 2,000,000*l.*?—No, I am not.

1732. You do not know whether they took into consideration the proposed capital of the Eastern Railway, and the proposed capitals of the Gravesend and the Dover?—I do not know.

1733. In your examination yesterday, in speaking of your delivering the deed to Mr. Hamond upon his application, you stated that you declined to do it at first, because you thought it was not right; what did you mean by that, "that you thought it was not right"?—I objected to its going out of my possession, to such a distance as he lived from London.

1734. Was that the only ground of your objection to permit him to have the deed?—Yes.

1735. *Chairman.* You thought at the time it was to be sent to Greenwich?—Yes.

1736. Mr. *Thesiger.*] The name of Mr. De Charm has been mentioned very frequently: did you know him well before this time?—O dear, yes!

1737. Had you known him for some years?—Two or three years.

1738. Is Mr. De Charm a person of very great respectability?—Very much so.

1739. Do you happen to know whether he was formerly in the East India Company's service?—I do not.

1740. Mr. Hamond is a magistrate of the county of Kent, I believe?—He is.

1741. Do you know whether he carries on any business there?—Not at Greenwich; he does at Mincing-lane.

1742. He has a counting-house there?—Yes.

1743. What is his residence at Greenwich?—Caroline House, Blackheath-road.

1744. He had been, as we find, the chairman of the provincial committee at Greenwich?—Yes.

1745. Do you know whether Mr. Hamond was chairman of the committee, or the honourable Member for Greenwich, Mr. Angerstein?—He told me he was.

1746. *Chairman.*] Of an electioneering committee?—Yes.

1747. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Had Mr. Hamond been useful to the company in obtaining petitions with regard to allowing the line to pass through Greenwich Park?—Very much so.

1748. You, of course, know the direction which the proposed line of the Kent Railway was to take?—I do.

1749. Was it intended to go through or near Greenwich?—Yes.

1750. Woolwich?—Yes.

1751. Dartford?—Yes.

1752. Gravesend and Milton?—Yes.

1753. Rochester?—Yes.

1754. Chatham, and the other places that adjoin?—Yes.

1755. Sittingbourne and Milton?—Yes.

1756. Faversham?—Yes.

1757. Canterbury?—Yes.

1758. Ramsgate?—Yes.

1759. Sandwich?—Yes.

1760. Deal and Dover?—Yes.

1761. Do

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1761. Do you know the line of the South Eastern; you have been over it pretty often?—I have.

1762. In point of population, towns, and the advantages which are always regarded in the formation of railways, does the Eastern Railway bear any comparison with the proposed line of the Kent Railway, in your judgment?—Not according to my judgment.

1763. Would not the Kent Railway, in your judgment, be infinitely superior to the South Eastern?—Certainly.

1764. Do you know what towns the South Eastern proposes to go through or near?—Croydon, Tunbridge, Ashford, Folkstone, and Dover.

1765. Do you know whether there are 40 miles of the South Eastern Railway without any town at all?—Yes, I do.

1766. Is there as much as that?—I do not think there is.

1767. How much should you say of the South Eastern line there is, without any town at all?—Nearly 40 miles.

1768. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Do you mean 40 miles consecutively?—Yes.

1769. Mr. *Thesiger.*] From Tunbridge to Ashford?—Yes.

1770. In your judgment, would a line of railway in the proposed line of the Kent Railway be highly beneficial to the public?—Yes.

1771. Would this line comprehend different Government works?—Yes.

1772. And dock-yards?—Yes.

1773. And ports?—Yes.

1774. In your judgment, supposing this line of the Kent Railway should be carried, would it operate very considerably to the detriment of the South Eastern?—I should suppose so.

1775. In your judgment would it not annihilate the prospects of any advantage to be derived from such a line?—Yes, I think so.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Hill.*

1776. Do you happen to know how long Mr. Hamond has resided at Greenwich?—I know it is some years, I cannot distinctly state.

1777. Do you know that it is 20 years?—It is a long time.

1778. He and his family reside there?—Yes.

1779. And have therefore an interest in a railway being made in the neighbourhood of Greenwich to go far away into Kent?—Yes, I should suppose so.

1780. Has it been found that great benefit to the inhabitants of Greenwich and that neighbourhood has been derived from the Greenwich Railway?—I have understood so.

1781. As secretary to this company, probably you made it your duty and business to inquire as to the effects of the Greenwich Railway, with a view to the consequences of an extension of the line to Dover or the neighbourhood?—I have.

1782. In your judgment have the inhabitants of Greenwich a great interest in promoting a railway farther into Kent?—Yes, I think they have.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

1783. Where does Mr. Alger reside?—I believe in Bedford-row.

1784. You state he is secretary to the Preston and Wyre Railway Company?—Yes.

1785. Where is that railway projected, in what county?—In Lancaster, I believe.

1786. Is he the local or metropolitan secretary?—The metropolitan.

1787. Do you know anything of Mr. Brothers' large property at Leamington?—No, nothing more than he told me.

1788. Do you know in what it consists?—Houses and lands.

1789. Are you intimate with Mr. Yates, the secretary of the Falmouth?—I have known him a short time.

1790. Was he a frequent attendant at your Kent board?—Yes.

1791. How many times?—Very many times.

1792. Was he one of the most frequent?—Just so.

1793. Do you know anything of his circumstances?—No further than by report.

1794. Do you know anything of his circumstances in relation to his subscription to the deed?—I do not understand the question.

1795. Do you know anything of his pecuniary responsibility, with respect to his subscription to the deed?—Not of my own knowledge.

1796. You say only two persons applied for their deposits, who were they?—They were two persons in Manchester.

1797. Can you tell readily?—Yes, by referring here.

[*The Witness referred to a book.*]

1798. You can produce the names to-morrow and the amount?—Yes, I will do so.

1799. You state 6,000 shares remain now unexchanged in the Gravesend and Dover, who have neither demanded their deposits, nor exchanged them in the Kent and Dover?—Yes.

1800. Is that your correct answer?—Yes.

1801. What personal knowledge have you of that?—Only by examining the books.

1802. When did you examine them?—Mr. Lancaster examined them, and informed me.

1803. Do you not know that he examined them, and not you?—Yes.

1804. Do you not know that many persons signed the Gravesend deed, who did not take out their scrip, or pay their deposit?—No, I do not know that.

1805. Do you believe it?—No.

1806. May not those 6,000 shares which have not been exchanged, or the deposits demanded, represent parties who signed the deed, and never paid any deposit upon them?—No.

1807. When did you say that the moiety of the 2,000,000*l.* capital had been subscribed?—I do not know the date.

1808. You stated, in answer to the learned counsel in the cross-examination, at a particular period, upwards of one half of the advertised capital of 2,000,000*l.* had been subscribed?—Previous to the 13th of February.

1809. Will you state that positively?—Yes, I think I can to the best of my recollection.

1810. Did you ever take any personal labour to ascertain the fact?—No, I did not.

1811. You know nothing about it?—Except through the same source I told you before.

1812. Are you aware of the quantum of alterations made by the directors; the quantum of subscriptions obtained by yourself on the 13th and 14th; and the quantum obtained at Mr. Hamond's office?—No, I am not.

1813. Do you know that it was upwards of half a million of money?—No, I do not.

1814. Do you know anything upon the subject of the amount obtained by your co-secretary, or Mr. Lancaster, in February?—No, I do not.

1815. Have you any knowledge at all of what quantum of the 2,000,000*l.* was subscribed previously to the 13th of February?—From no other source than what I have told you.

1816. Hearsay?—Yes.

1817. Do you know anything of the circumstances of Mr. Hamond or his family?—I believe him to be highly respectable.

1818. Do you know anything of the pecuniary circumstances of the family?—No.

1819. Did you receive anything for supplying the data of traffic to the Gravesend Company to which you alluded yesterday?—Who from?

1820. From the Gravesend Company?—No.

1821. You gave it to them gratis?—Yes.

1822. Though you had obtained it in the service of the South Eastern Company?—I do not acknowledge to have obtained it in their service.

1823. Were not you their paid servant at the time you obtained it?—No.

1824. In point of fact, are not the majority of those data, the data collected by Mr. Yates, their present secretary?—I do not think they are.

1825. What part did you collect yourself?—I do not recollect.

1826. Can you point to any one single page of the data which you collected yourself?—I cannot.

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Examined by the *Chairman.*

1827. You have said, that you did not allow the deed to be signed at the office by any parties, unless they produced the scrip?—No, I think not.

1828. Did you, or did you not say so?—I do not recollect to have answered such a question.

1829. Was this the rule observed by the secretaries at the office, that they did not allow parties to sign the contract deed, unless such parties produced the scrip? —When I gave an exchange of scrip, that was my answer, that, upon exchanging the scrip, they must sign the deed first; and that was the way I understood the question.

1830. Then, in point of fact, parties are not excluded signing the deed, who do not produce their scrip?—Certainly not.

1831. Mr. Austin was one of those allowed to sign the deed without producing the scrip?—Yes.

1832. And the other parties, such as Mr. Neville and Mr. Rowley, you gave the particulars of?—Yes.

1833. And those whose signatures Mr. Hamond procured?—I do not know anything of them.

1834. Those whose signatures Mr. Hamond procured, did they not sign the deed, without producing the scrip?—Yes.

1835. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] If I had walked into your office and said, I wanted to sign the deed, would you have let me done it?—Not without asking, who you came from.

1836. Suppose I had said Mr. A. or B. had sent me, would you let me do it?—Yes, under the circumstances I was then placed in.

1837. Being obliged to make up the sum before depositing the deed?—Yes.

1838. Had you experience and knowledge of the mode of doing business in other companies?—I have heard of them.

1839. Do you know that that practice was adopted in other companies?—I have been so told.

1840. For the same object you had in view, probably?—Certainly.

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1841. ARE you co-secretary to the Kent Railway Company with Mr. William Green?—I am.

1842. Have you ever been secretary to any other railway company?—The London and Dover Company.

1843. When was that company first formed?—It was formed the 30th October 1835—[*the Witness referred to a memorandum*]; yes, it is the 30th October 1835.

1844. What was your first introduction to your connexion with any gentlemen in forming that company?—My first introduction was this: I was requested on the evening of the 29th, by Mr. Walter, to attend at the preparation of an advertisement the following day.

1845. To attend where?—At the office of the Gravesend Company.

1846. Gravesend, or the Greenwich Company?—The Gravesend Company, 76, Cornhill.

1847. Had you had any communication with any of the parties before, on the subject of that company?—No.

1848. Of what calling or profession were you?—I was of no calling or profession; I had been some time looking for a situation.

1849. Pursuant to that request did you attend?—Yes, I did.

1850. On what day?—The evening of the 29th October.

1851. Who did you meet there?—I met Mr. Brothers and Mr. Green.

1852. What took place on that occasion?—An advertisement was prepared and sent to the newspapers; that was all that took place; and I was requested to attend on the following morning at No. 82, Cornhill.

1853. Was Mr. Green present at the discussions on that occasion?—Do you mean in the evening?

1854. Yes!—Yes.

1855. Do you recollect what was the general discussion, previous to the drawing up of the advertisement?—No: whatever discussion had taken place was before; there was no discussion then.

1856. You merely met together to draw up the advertisement?—Yes.

1857. Was that advertisement drawn?—Yes.

1858. Have you a copy of it?—No.

1859. Can you produce one to the Committee?—I will be able to do so; the newspaper is extant.

1860. *Chairman.*] Do you recollect to what newspaper the advertisement was sent?—The generality of the morning papers.

1861-2. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you a copy of it at the Westminster Office?—No, I have not.

1863. What was the purport of that advertisement?—Simply to announce the formation of the London and Dover Company.

1864. In connexion with the names of any gentlemen?—In connexion with the names of the directors.

1865. What names were inserted?—To the best of my recollection, the names then inserted were those that were put into the prospectus, which were these.

1866. Is this the prospectus [*handing a paper to the Witness*]?—Yes, that is the prospectus.

1867. The original one?—Yes, to the best of my belief.

1868. Is that the one you believe to be advertised?—I believe it to be so.

1869. What is the minute book you have in your hand?—This is the Dover minute book.

1870. From the commencement of the meetings of the company?—Yes, with the exception of the previous evening.

1871. Give me the date again?—The evening of the 29th; a preliminary meeting took place the evening of the 29th.

1872. What is the date of the first minute?—The 30th of October.

1873. Did you, at that evening meeting, sign the advertisement as secretary?—Yes, I did.

[*The following document was delivered in.*]

London and Dover Railway, being a continuation of the London and Greenwich and Gravesend Railways, to be incorporated by Act of Parliament.

The London and Greenwich Railway being nearly finished, and the whole of the capital necessary to complete the Gravesend Railway being subscribed, a continuation of this line to Dover presents advantages so evident, that any enlargement thereon is unnecessary.

The line has been surveyed. It is intended to pass through Cuxton, Maidstone, and Folkstone, with a branch to Canterbury.

To accomplish this railroad, it is proposed that the sum of 1,000,000*l.* sterling be raised, in 20,000 shares, of 50 *l.* each.

Deposit, 1 *l.* per share.

The following gentlemen have been appointed provisional directors, with power to add to their number:—R. D. Neave, esq.; O. T. Alger, esq.; John Brothers, esq.; Capt. Henry Jones; Robert Page, esq.; George Walter, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; Thomas Phillpotts, esq.; Alexander M'Dougall, esq.

Bankers:—Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.

Engineer:—George Landmann, esq.

Assistant Engineer:—John Herapath, esq.

Solicitor:—James Vallance, esq.

Secretary:—Colin Smith, esq.

Office, No. 82, Cornhill, where applications for shares (if by letter, post paid) are to be addressed.

1874. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is there any date to it?—No, there is no date.

1875. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Just look at it, and see whether that is the first one that was published?—I believe that to be the first one; but the advertisement of the evening before, I cannot answer whether that is a copy of it.

1876. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you any previous knowledge of, or connexion with, the Gravesend Company?—None whatever.

1877. Or with the Greenwich?—None whatever.

1878. Who gave you the names of those gentlemen, as directors?—The gentlemen present; it is impossible for me to state each.

1879. Do you recollect who took the lead among the directors?—Mr. Brothers and Mr. Walter; they were the only two persons present, with the exception of Mr. Green.

1880. After the preparation of this prospectus, and the direction to issue the advertisement, state generally what took place?—It was not the work of five minutes: the advertisement was prepared before I arrived up there, and I signed

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it, as secretary *pro tem.*; I went to the office, and I was not there much more than five minutes.

1881. Do you know who prepared it?—No.

1882. Do you know who produced it?—It was before Mr. Green, at the moment I went in.

1883. In consequence of this projected line, did you continue to act as secretary during the progress of that company?—Yes, I did.

1884. Were there any names added to the direction, after the first issue of the names of the directors?—Yes, there were.

1885. What gentlemen's names were added afterwards?—Colonel Leith Hay, William Pinney, esq., M. P., and George Robert Rowe.

1886. At what time was that?—The 3d of November.

1887. Immediately following the issuing of the advertisement?—There had been a meeting or two.

1888. Had you any room or premises taken for the use of the company?—No. 82, Cornhill.

1889. What house is that?—It is Harrison's, the bookseller, there.

1890. Any other public company there?—No.

1891. Did you go on to repeat your advertisements?—Yes, they were repeated several times.

1892. Were you acquainted with Mr. Green previous to that evening?—I had known Mr. Green.

1893. But in connexion with any railway scheme?—No, not at all; I simply knew he was secretary to the Gravesend Company.

1894. After the preliminary formation of this company, did you then communicate with him?—No.

1895. Were you in the habit of going to the Gravesend Company's Office?—Very seldom. I used occasionally to go in there; I was inexperienced, and Mr. Green would offer to give me any information I required; but I did not require any; I had no occasion to apply to Mr. Green for anything that occurred.

1896. Were there any applications for shares to this company?—Yes.

1897. How many; state generally?—Close upon 50,000.

1898. Have you got the applications?—They are here, I have the book, and a list of them, and the original shares are here also.

1899. Just produce the book containing the schedule of them?—This is the book [*producing one*].

1900. Do you know how many persons in number applied for shares?—Yes, I believe I can tell you; 1,504 letters.

1901. At what time were the majority of those letters sent into the direction; were the bulk of them sent in immediately?—Yes; all prior to the 10th of November.

1902. *Chairman.*] The 10th of November immediately following?—Yes.

1903. Mr. *Parkes.*] Upon this bare prospectus, these letters of application for shares came into your office?—Yes.

1904. Did you, in consequence of the receipt of those applications, lay those letters, or a schedule of them, before the directors?—Yes; the number of applications were reported.

1905. At what time?—At the board, of the 5th of November, I reported the number to be 22,000 shares; and at the board of the 10th of November I reported the number to be 47,480.

1906. When was any appropriation made?—On the 11th of November.

1907. How many were appropriated?—Do you wish the exact number?

1908. Yes, or about?—Rather better than 19,000.

1909. Was that appropriation announced by a circular, a printed answer or lithographed?—By a printed answer.

1910. *Chairman.*] According to the prospectus, what was to be the total number?—20,000 shares.

1911. Mr. *Parkes.*] Of 50 *l.* each; deposit, 1 *l.*; capital, 1,000,000 *l.*?—Yes, that was the prospectus.

1912. What day was that appropriation made?—The 11th of November.

1913. What was the day that the directors received from you a schedule of the applications?—I reported, as they came in.

1914. Were these the only two board meetings, the 5th and the 10th?—No

No, the first board was the 30th of October; then the 2d of November, the 3d of November, the 5th of November, and the 10th of November.

1915. On what day did you lay before them the first schedule of applications; on the 5th?—On the 5th of November.

1916. Had you prepared a schedule, for the inspection of the committee of directors?—Yes; this book was written up, as the letters came in.

1917. Who undertook the responsibility of the appropriation among the directors?—Mr. Brothers, Captain Page, and Mr. Walter.

1918. Were they appointed a sub-committee for that purpose?—They were.

1919. When did they meet?—They met on the 11th.

1920. Their inspection and recommendation to appropriate took place on that day?—Yes, the 11th.

1921. What number of persons was that number of shares allotted to?—To the whole number of applicants.

1922. What was the aggregate amount of the money applications, taking the nominal capital of the shares, calculating the shares at 50 *l.*?—Fifty times 47,480.

1923. Just calculate it?—£. 2,374,000.

1924. What did the appropriation amount to in money?—Taking it at 19,000 shares, 950,000 *l.*

1925. Was the appropriation made *pro ratâ*, on the number of shares that the respective parties applied for?—In the greater part.

1926. Am I to understand you, there was an appropriation to every one of the applicants?—Precisely.

1927. Without exception?—Yes.

1928. What appropriation was made, if any, to the directors, or what reserve?—There was a reserve of the difference, 1,000 shares; there was no appropriation made to them at the moment; 19,407 was the number.

1929. Mr. *Thornely.*] How many shares had the directors?—There was a reserve of 593 shares at that period.

1930. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you the officer of the company, who sent out all those answers to the applications?—I was.

1931. What time elapsed between the direction to you to do so, and the sending them out?—The date is the 13th November; I see I have got a copy of the letter of appropriation.

1932. In consequence of these being sent out, how many applicants came to pay in their deposits, or to apply for scrip?—4,848 shares.

1933. Did they all take out scrip, who paid?—Not all.

1934. Did the majority take out their scrip?—Eventually, but not immediately.

1935. What was the sum?—There are some at this moment.

1936. What is the sum you received at the bankers, in the gross?—£. 4,848.

1937. Is that the total you have received?—Yes.

1938. What steps did the direction take to carry this project into effect?—Colonel Landmann was the engineer, and directed to make the necessary surveys.

1939. Was it done by Colonel Landmann?—Yes, it was.

1940. How many meetings of the directors were there, after the appropriation of the scrip; up to what period about how many meetings; what is the date of the last board meeting?—The last board meeting was the 10th of June.

1941. In the following year?—Yes.

1942. Was there any application to Parliament in the year 1836?—The petition was presented on the meeting of Parliament, in February 1836.

1943. Who were appointed solicitors to the company?—Mr. Vallance.

1944. Who was solicitor to the Gravesend Company?—The same gentleman.

1945. Were the country deposits of plans, &c., made in November or Christmas, with the clerks of the peace?—Yes.

1946. You were in a state to go to Parliament for a bill, in the following session?—We were.

1947. What stages did the bill pass through, if any?—It dropped; a petition was presented for a bill, and never proceeded further.

1948. Was the parliamentary contract lodged in the Private Bill Office?—No.

1949. Was a copy of it lodged?—No.

1950. You lodged a list of the subscribers?—No; it was not necessary then.

1951. Had you any deed signed?—Yes, we had.

1952. Have you got it here?—Yes, I have.

[*The Witness produced a deed, which was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

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1953. Have you more than one copy of the contract deed; have you any duplicate of it?—No.

1954. By how many persons is that signed?—I have never added up the number.

1955. Who is Mr. Ackerman of Peckham, 11,250 *l.*?—He is now secretary to the Greenwich Railway Company.

1956. Was the deed taken round to be signed, or did the parties generally call at the office?—With the exception of the country subscribers, it was signed at the office.

1957. I see no attestation to it?—Yes, I think so; it is very small.

1958. Your initials; are they most of them yours?—I think the greater part are; they are mine and those of a gentleman who was in the office.

1959. Who was Thomas Beare, 98, Guildford-street, 12,500 *l.*?—He is in the Preston and Wyre Railway Office.

1960. Mr. George Bramwell, 108, Cheapside, 3,550 *l.*; who is he?—I have no recollection at all of the person.

1961. Do you recollect the total amount signed?—£. 392,350.

1962. By how many persons?—I have not added up the number.

[*The following deed was delivered in.*]

This indenture, made the 14th day of November 1835, between Owen Tickell Alger, of Bedford-row, in the county of Middlesex, esq., John Brothers, of Leamington, in the county of Warwick, esq., Andrew Leith Hay, of Eaton-square, in the county of Middlesex, esq., lieutenant-colonel in His Majesty's army, Henry Jones, of Manchester-street, Manchester-square, in the county of Middlesex, esq., captain in His Majesty's army, Alexander M'Dougall, of Streatham, in the county of Surrey, esq., and Richard Digby Neave, of Pitt-place, Epsom, in the county of Surrey, esq., of the first part; Robert Page, of Somerton, in the county of Somerset, esq., Charles Perkins, of Mark-lane, in the city of London, esq., Thomas Phillpotts, of Park-street, in the city of Westminster, esq., William Pinney, of Berkeley-square, in the county of Middlesex, esq., George Robert Rowe, of Chigwell, in the county of Essex, esq., doctor of medicine, and George Walter, of East Dulwich, in the county of Surrey, esq., of the second part; and the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed and seals affixed, of the third part; witnesseth, that the several persons, parties hereto, do hereby respectively acknowledge and declare, that they have subscribed the several sums set opposite to their respective names, for the purpose of making and establishing a railway, commencing in the parish of Northfleet, in the county of Kent, by means of a junction with the proposed railway from London to Gravesend, and terminating in the parish of Hougham near Dover, in the said county of Kent, through such parishes, townships and places, and by such course or line as shall be approved of and adopted by the persons who, in and by a certain deed or subscribers' agreement bearing even date herewith, are appointed a provisional committee, and by the persons who have since, or may at any time hereafter, at any general meeting of the said subscribers be appointed a committee, trustees or directors, for carrying the said undertaking into effect, with such branches from the said railway to any places or works lying at a distance not exceeding twenty miles from the main railway, by such course or line respectively as may by such committee, trustees or directors, be deemed expedient, together with proper and convenient warehouses, wharfs, stations, landing-places, bridges, and other works and conveniences to such railway and branches respectively; the same respectively to be made, constructed, established and conducted in such manner as shall be provided for by an Act or Acts of Parliament to be applied for in the next session of Parliament; or in case such Act or Acts shall not be applied for, or, if applied for, shall not be obtained in the next session, then by such Act or Acts as shall or may be applied for and obtained in any subsequent session of Parliament; in which Act or Acts it is intended to introduce a clause to prevent the several subscribers to and proprietors of shares in the said undertaking, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, from being liable in any event for any larger or other sum than that which has been so subscribed by each of them as aforesaid; and the said several persons, parties hereto, do hereby respectively give and grant unto the committee, trustees or directors, so appointed as aforesaid, full power and authority to select and fix upon, and from time to time to alter and vary the site or spot at which the said intended railway shall commence, as the site or spot at which it shall terminate, and also the intermediate course or line thereof, and the parishes, townships and places through which the same shall pass, and also from time to time to determine what branches shall be made therefrom, and to fix upon and from time to time to alter and vary the course or line of such branches, and also to fix upon and from time to time to alter and vary the extent and situation of the warehouses, wharfs, landing-places, stations, and other works and conveniences thereto respectively belonging; and to make or renew applications to Parliament for all or any of such purposes, from time to time, as they in their discretion shall think proper, and to abstain from making any application to Parliament in the next session (if they shall consider it expedient so to do), and to postpone such application for such periods as they shall think fit; and to confine the application to Parliament, in the next or any future session, to the main line only, or to any portion of the main line, omitting the remainder thereof, or all or any of the branches, and deferring the application for the remainder of such main line, or any part

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or parts thereof, and for all or any of the branches, to a future session or sessions. And this indenture further witnesseth, that each of them, the said Robert Page, Charles Perkins, Thomas Phillpotts, William Pinney, George Robert Rowe and George Walter, parties hereto, of the second part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite to his name, and not further or otherwise, and also each of them the said several persons, parties hereto, of the third part, for himself and herself, and for his and her respective heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite his or her name, and not further or otherwise, doth hereby covenant with the said Owen Tickell Alger, John Brothers, Andrew Leith Hay, Henry Jones, Alexander M'Dougall and Richard Digby Neave, parties hereto, of the first part, their executors and administrators; and each of them the said Owen Tickell Alger, John Brothers, Andrew Leith Hay, Henry Jones, Alexander M'Dougall and Richard Digby Neave, parties hereto, of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum set opposite to his name, and not further or otherwise, doth hereby covenant with the said Robert Page, Charles Perkins, Thomas Phillpotts, William Pinney, George Robert Rowe and George Walter, parties hereto, of the second part, their executors and administrators, in manner following; that is to say, that they the several persons parties hereto respectively, and their respective executors or administrators, shall and will well and truly pay or cause to be paid the amount subscribed by each of them respectively, within seven years from the date hereof, in such sums and to such person or persons, and at such places and times, as by the said Act or Acts shall be directed or appointed. In witness whereof, the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Owen T. Alger - -	(L.S.)	C.S.	———— - -	(L.S.)	
John Brothers - -	(L.S.)	C.S.	———— - -	(L.S.)	
A. Leith Hay - -	(L.S.)	C.S.	Thos. Phillpotts - -	(L.S.)	C.S.
———— - -	(L.S.)		Robt. Page - -	(L.S.)	
———— - -	(L.S.)		Geo. Robt. Rowe - -	(L.S.)	C.S.
Richard Digby Neave -	(L.S.)	C.S.	Geo. Walter - -	(L.S.)	C.S.

Subscribers' Christian and Surnames.	Place of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	Sum Subscribed.
			£.
Owen Tickell Alger -	Bedford-row - - -	gentleman - -	5,000 (L.S.) C.S.
John Brothers - -	Leamington - - -	lieut. R.N. - -	5,000 —
A. Leith Hay - -			
Robert Neave - -			
Robert Page - - -	Charlton, Somerton - -	esq. - - -	5,000 —
T. Phillpotts - - -	3, Park-street, Westminster	merchant - -	5,000 —
W. Pinney - - -			
Geo. Robert Rowe - -	Chigwell, Essex - -	M. D. - - -	5,000 —
George Walter - -	East Dulwich, Surrey -	gentleman - -	5,000 —
Henry Short - - -	Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park	gentleman - -	5,000 —
Edward Hughes - -			
John Yates - - -	Limehouse - - -	merchant - -	5,000 —
John Yonge Akerman -	Peckham - - - -	gentleman - -	11,250 —
William Green - -	2, Paragon-place, New Kent-road.	gentleman - -	300 —
George Green Allardice -	8, Pleasant-row, Shackelwell	gentleman - -	100 —
Henry Alfred Horneman	4, Malboro'-road, Kent-road	gentleman - -	1,000 —
George Broad - - -	16, Hanscomb-place, Clapham	gentleman - -	1,000 —
William Brinckley - -	6, Change-alley - - -	gentleman - -	500 —
Henry Webb - -	39, West-square, St. George's	gentleman - -	750 —
William Prist - -	29, Great North-st., Lissongrove.	gentleman - -	500 (L.S.) R.M.
Isaac Sillcock - -	Westbourn, Harrow-road -	gentleman - -	100 —
Henrietta Sillcock - -	Westbourn, Harrow-road -	wife - - -	100 —
John Fielden - - -	2, Montagu-square - -	gentleman - -	1,000 —
Gilbert Ansley - -	6, Torrington-place - -	gentleman - -	500 —
Charles Dowell - -	Haxby Cottage, Peckham -	gentleman - -	1,000 —
Daniel Cork - - -	Leadenhall - - -	gentleman - -	250 —
Thomas Habgood - -	16, Hatton-garden - -	gentleman - -	500 —
Joseph Wildy - -	8, Rahere-st., Goswell-road	clerk - - -	50 —
John Jones - - -	32, Rupert-st., St. James's -	coffee-house keeper	250 (L.S.) C.S.
Clifford Craufurd -	East India House - -	clerk - - -	500 (L.S.) R.M.
Robert Folthorp - -	17, Cornhill - - -	bookseller - -	500 —
Thomas Rainford Ensor -	38, Carey-st., Lincoln's-inn	solicitor - - -	250 —
Peter Warburton - -	9, New Church-street, Bermondsey.	clerk in customs -	500 (L.S.) C.S.
Roger Wood - - -	Croom's-hill - - -	gentleman - -	500 (L S.) R.M.
Paul Tongerard - -	Exchange-buildings - -	merchant - -	2,000 —
Gilbert Stephens - -	Doughty-street - - -	gentleman - -	1,500 —
J. H. Wand - - -	Cornhill - - - -	merchant - -	500 —
James Brookman - -	10, Berner's-street - -	gentleman -	250 —
Henry Robert Pearsall -	9, Queen-street-place -	clerk - - -	250 —

[*The names in Italic are written in the original with a pencil.*]

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Subscribers' Christian and Surnames.	Place of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	Sum Subscribed.
			£.
Thomas Griffin	Shoreditch	gentleman	1,000 (L.S.)R.M.
Edward William Davis	9, Castle-alley, Royal Exchange.	gentleman	500 —
Henry Kirk	Martin's-lane, City	merchant	4,000 —
William Robinson Chamberlain.	21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road	agent	500 —
William Wilders	17, Austin-friars	of Bank	250 —
Joseph Berridge	10, Birchin-lane	agent and accountant	250 —
John Williams	6, South-square, Gray's-inn	solicitor	250 —
The Rev. Samuel Lloyd, W. F. Lloyd.	Nailsworth, near Minchinhampton.	clergyman	3,000 —
John Wright	73, Nicholas-st., New North-road.	gentleman	250 —
George Wenham Lewis	130, Jermyn-st., Piccadilly	gentleman	250 —
James Loncragan, for Mr. White.	of Dowgate-wharf	merchant	250 —
George John Blake	52, Great Tower-street	merchant	500 —
Nicholas Skottowe	5, Copthall-court	merchant	2,000 —
Samuel Gowar	Lewisham-road	agent	250 —
John Flossman, for J. M. Garothwohl.	28, Great Winchester-street	merchant	1,000 —
Henry Toulmin	6, Furnival's-inn	solicitor	750 —
Thomas Clarke	30, Cannon-street	lace merchant	500 —
William Birdsey	1, St. Michael's-alley, Cornhill	clerk	1,500 —
Arthur Stephens	13, Doughty-street	gentleman	250 —
William Gover Gray	16, Hyford's-buildings, Bath	attorney-at-law	250 (L.S.) C.S. R.M
John Atkins	Sydenham	gentleman	2,500 —
Daniel Mithado	71, Guildford-street	gentleman	500 —
John Westhead	Manchester	manufacturer	1,500 —
George Paton	1, Freeman's-court	gentleman	2,500 —
Robert Thomas Perkins	31, Cornhill	agent	500 —
William Mackay	69, Old Broad-street	gentleman	1,000 —
Sketterworth Bryant	7, Sweeting's-alley, Cornhill	agent	2,500 —
William David Shirriff	3, George-yard, Lombard-st.	merchant	1,000 —
William Mayne	15, Bishopsgate-street	gentleman	1,000 —
Henry Benwell	18, Grove, Clapham-common	clergyman	250 —
Frederick Ansley	6, Torrington-place	gentleman	500 —
Herman Christopher Bose	Virginia Coffee-house	gentleman	250 —
William Davis	69, Pall-Mall	gentleman	500 (L.S.) C.S. R.M
Thomas Locke Williams	20, Haymarket	tradesman	300 —
James Gardner	4, Tanfield-ct., Inner Temple	gentleman	250 —
Benjamin Pearson Bartlett	126, Great Charles-street, Birmingham.	button-maker	250 (L.S.) R.I.
Charles Ratherham	Birmingham	plater	1,000 —
George John Morris	Manchester	share-broker	1,500 —
John Dukeford	Manchester	silk-broker	500 —
Henry Charles Morris	Manchester	share-broker	1,000 —
Isaac Sillcock	Westbourn, Harrow-road	gentleman	300 (L.S.) C.S. R.M.
Frances Shipton	38, Ely-place	spinster	1,000 —
Matthias Attwood	27, Gracechurch-street	banker	10,000 —
Alfred Herapath	Kensington	gentleman	1,000 —
Philip Twells	26, Lincoln's-inn	barrister-at-law	2,500 —
Antonio Joaquim Soares	12, Abbey-rd., St. John's-wood	gentleman	5,000 —
John Simpson	Holloway	royal navy	6,000 (L.S.) C.S.
Charles Goldsbury	Blackfriars-road	royal navy	6,000 —
William Stephenson	Camberwell	gentleman	5,000 —
Thomas Deane	98, Guildford-st., Russell-sq.	gentleman	12,500 —
James Blennerhassett	Devonport	gentleman	5,000 —
Alexander Henry Smith	43, Oxford-terr, Hyde-park	gentleman	10,000 —
George Jeffkins	10, Loraine-place, Holloway	gentleman	8,000 —
Charles Perkins	67, Mark-lane	merchant	5,000 —
James Bush	3, New-court, Old Broad-st.	stock-broker	2,500 —
Hugh Douglas Donaldson	3, West-st., Finsbury-circus	doctor of medicine	2,000 —
Benjamin Winder	Skude-hill, Manchester	surgeon	500 —
Herbert Hardie	Chatham-street, Manchester	merchant	20,000 —
Thomas Harris	Liverpool	broker	5,000 —
Philip Hall Palmer	Screveton, Nottinghamshire	clergyman	1,000 —
Thomas Tringham Smith	22, Bolton-street	gentleman	7,500 —
Andrew Pillit Green	9, James-st., Buckingh.-gate	captain royal navy	1,500 —
Francis Edwards	Regent's-park	gentleman	2,000 —
John Jeffkins	2, Crosby square	wine-merchant	500 —
William Meade De Charms	144, Leadenhall-street	gentleman	1,250 —
Skittleworth Bryant	7, Sweeting's-alley, Cornhill	agent	1,500 —
Simeon John Boileau	16, Southampton-buildings	esquire	15,000 —
Samuel Smith	Deptford	gentleman	2,000 (L.S.)

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			£.
George Henry Lance -	Bermondsey - - -	gentleman - -	3,500 (L.S.)
Richard Ware - -	Barnsbury-park, Islington -	gentleman - -	4,500 —
Charles Brenchley - -	Camberwell-grove - -	gentleman - -	1,500 —
Henry Whiffin - -	Greenwich-road - -	gentleman - -	4,500 —
John Nelson - -	Ratcliff - - - -	gentleman - -	5,000 —
Alexander Fraser - -	26, Cornhill - - -	gentleman - -	4,000 —
Charles Chancy - -	47, Basinghall-street - -	gentleman - -	7,500 —
James Thorogood -	Bermondsey - - -	gentleman - -	3,000 —
William David Shirriff -	63, Guildford-street - -	merchant - -	2,500 —
For Henry Harris, Jonah Smith Wells.	Cirencester - - -	gentleman - -	500 (L.S.) R. M.
James Townsend - -	70, Albany-st., Regent's-park	gentleman - -	8,000 (L.S.)
Sarah Rundall - -	Old Kent-road - - -	widow - - -	6,500 —
Joseph Edward Phipps -	Marlborough-road - -	agent - - -	3,200 —
Harry Tyrrell Watkins -	Chapel-street, Park-lane -	gentleman - -	8,500 —
Henry Ibbotson - -	51, John-st., Commercial-rd., east	East India service -	9,400 —
George Greenwell - -	108, Cheapside - - -	gentleman - -	3,550 —
Ebenezer Timmis, *p. pro.* Robt. Lancaster.	Birmingham - - -	goldsmith and broker	1,500 —
Robson Beilby, *p. pro.* R. Lancaster.	Birmingham - - -	agent - - -	3,000 (L.S.) C.S.
Samuel Howes - -	Broadway, Westminster -	gentleman - -	7,800 (L.S.)
Isaac Porritt - - -	High-street, Deptford -	agent - - -	3,000 —
Teynham - - -	Cornigie-house, Kensington,	- - - - -	2,500 (L.S.) T.P.
Edw. Meirell - -	Clement's-lane, Lombard-street,	clothier - - -	3,500(L.S.)
Wm. Croft - - -	7, Birchin-lane - - -	gentleman - -	8,000 —
John Hooper - - -	28, Bread-street, Cheapside	wholesale tea-dealer	9,250 —
John Henry Anderson -	16, Change-alley - -	gentleman - -	5,450 —
Henry A. Ogg - -	Putney, Surrey - - -	gentleman - -	6,400 —
Benjamin Shaw - -	Abchurch-lane - - -	merchant - -	4,000 —
Robert Coulson - -	19, Whiskin-street, Clerkenwell	engraver - -	50 (L.S.) R.M.
William Temple - -	2, Surrey-sq., Old Kent-road,	gentleman - -	2,000 (L.S.) C.S.
Thomas Hamber - -	Barnsbury-park, Islington -	gentleman - -	9,500 (L.S.)
George Mathews - -	8, St. Swithin's-lane - -	wine & spirit merchant	4,200 —
J. Collier Allan - - -	23, Threadneedle-street -	gentleman - -	4,800 —
For James Shute, Isaac Braithwaite.	Plymouth - - - -	gentleman - -	500 (L.S.) R.M.
For John Law, Isaac Braithwaite.	Plymouth - - - -	gentleman - -	500 —
For Wm. Walker, Isaac Braithwaite.	Plymouth - -	major in the army -	500 —
For Edmund Turner, John Davis Daniel.	Truro - - - -	banker - - -	1,000 (L.S.)

1963. Was this project dropped, in consequence of the Gravesend Bill being thrown out?—It was.

1964. What took place, after the loss of the Gravesend Bill, between the two companies?—Do you mean immediately afterwards?

1965. Yes?—There was a committee appointed, to act in conjunction with the committee of the Gravesend Company.

1966. At what time, and who were the sub-committee?—On the 16th March 1836, a board was held, at which were present, George Walter, John Brothers, Thomas Phillpotts, John Yates, and they were appointed a committee.

1967. Who were the committee who met them, on the part of the Gravesend Company?—That I apprehend is on the Gravesend minutes.

1968 Was Sir Andrew Leith Hay a member of your board?—He was.

1969. Did he attend?—He attended twice.

1970. Do you remember what number of shares were taken by him?—Twenty shares; that was his qualification.

1971. Just state what you mean by twenty shares; you say twenty shares; what do you mean by that; do you mean he had on that day twenty shares?—He had twenty shares.

1972. When was the appropriation made to the directors?—They took their twenty shares' qualification; there was no special appropriation made.

1973. Are there two Dover railways?—No, only one Dover.

1974. You can be prepared with a list to-morrow of the shares appropriated or taken by the directors?—It was twenty shares each.

1975. Is that the extent of their interest in the company?—Yes.

1976. You

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1976. You know of no director who had more?—No, none.

1977. Only some of the directors signed the contract deed; I believe only half, read over the names?—Owen Tickell Alger, 5,000 *l.*; John Brothers, 5,000 *l.*; Robert Page, 5,000 *l.*; Thomas Phillpotts, 5,000 *l.*; George Robert Rowe, 5,000 *l.*; George Walter, 5,000 *l.*; Henry Short, 5,000 *l.*; John Yeates, 5,000 *l.*

1978. What do you mean by the directors only taking twenty shares each, when in your contract deed they stand for the respective sums you have read?—They had only twenty shares.

1979. They only paid upon twenty shares?—Yes.

1980. They represent considerably more in the deed?—Yes.

1981. In respect of which, to your knowledge, they had paid no deposit?—No.

1982. I see in pencil a number of directors put down?—That was, that they might sign it in their order.

1983. Was the deed taken to any director who refused to sign it?—No.

1984. Are you certain?—To the best of my recollection not; the deed not having been deposited, there was time to cut it down.

1985. At what period did the consolidation take place of the two companies, between the Gravesend and the Dover?—On the 12th of April.

1986. Last year?—12th April 1836. I think it appears on the Kent minutes.

1987. Had you paid all your liabilities, previous to that junction?—No.

1988. What amount of money had you expended; you have the bankers' account of the Dover?—Yes; it was better than 2,000 *l.*

1989. Just state accurately?—£. 2,030, or thereabouts; I am not quite sure.

1990. Was any inquiry whatever made, as to the responsibility of those parties to whom the shares were allotted?—No.

1991. They were allotted in the way you have stated?—Yes.

1992. Generally upon the *pro rata* principle, according to the amount they applied for?—Yes; the principle adopted was not to give a refusal.

1993. Is that the usual way in companies who receive applications for shares?—I have no knowledge of other companies.

1994. You had no knowledge at the time?—No.

1995. After the consolidation of the two companies, did you and Mr. Green act as secretaries?—Yes, we did.

1996. Did you take any separate departments?—Not at first; we generally acted. The country business would devolve on Mr. Green, and I remained at home.

1997. Do you recollect the advertisement to the public, on the consolidation of the companies, and the exchange of shares of the two companies?—I do.

1998. At what period was that advertisement inserted?—That advertisement was inserted the 13th April in the Kent minute-book, I believe, which is here.

1999. Do you know anything about the market price of the Dover shares, during the issuing of the scrip; do you know whether they were ever at a premium?—Yes.

2000. How high?—To the best of my recollection, 15 *s.*

2001. Was there much business done in them?—I think not.

2002. Do you know of any sales yourself?—No.

2003. Of none?—No, none except sales of my own; I have sold shares and bought, myself.

2004. How many may it have amounted to?—Mine?

2005. What you bought and sold?—It is impossible for me to remember; perhaps 100 shares or more.

2006–7. Whose shares were they?—My own shares.

2008. All of them?—Yes.

2009. How many were appropriated to you?—When I say, my shares, I mean shares I had purchased.

2010. You purchased them?—The letters.

2011. How many did you purchase?—I have no recollection now; many.

2012. How many?—Four or five hundred.

2013. What price did you generally give for them?—It is impossible, I am sure I cannot recollect.

2014. Have you any account of them?—No; two-pence, three-pence, and four-pence. The letters were selling about; and in order to prevent them being sold, I myself bought letters, which letters I have at this moment.

2015. Can you produce all those you purchased?—Yes.

2016. To-morrow morning you will bring them?—Yes.

2017. What

2017. What amount of money did you lay out in the purchase of those answers of appropriation?—It is impossible for me to say; 10 *l.* perhaps.

2018. Was that at the beginning of the issuing of the scrip?—Yes.

2019. Did you make any discovery, that you had purchased the letters of a great number of needy and necessitous persons?—Yes; if the fact of my having purchased those letters, proved it.

2020. How soon did you find it out?—Almost immediately.

2021. What number of letters do you think you purchased?—Between five and six hundred.

2022. Do they not represent many thousand, or the greater proportion of the shares, so allotted?—No.

2023. Did they not represent many thousand shares?—The letters will speak for themselves.

2024. You will produce the letters, and a schedule of them?—Yes.

2025. Did the shares afterwards go down below par?—Yes, they did.

2026. How much scrip was issued?—That I could tell, on reference.

2027. That you will be prepared to tell to-morrow?—Yes.

2028. Were you officiating as secretary to the Kent Railway Company, when the applications came in, in consequence of the public advertisement?—Yes.

2029. What was the number of the applications there?—That I cannot answer; the accountant managed it all.

2030. They did not come quite so numerous as in the Gravesend?—I believe not.

2031. Were you present at the appropriation by the directors in the Kent Railway?—No, I was not.

2032. Do you mean, though you were secretary, you were not in the board-room at the time any appropriations were made? Turn to the minute-book, and see if you did not keep the minute on that day?—I kept the minute-book. [*The Witness referred to the minute-book.*] I see that these minutes are in Mr. Green's hand-writing.

2033. Are you informed that the schedule of the applications to the Kent Company were made out in your office?—I am.

2034. By whom was it made out, the digest?—It was made out by the accountant, Mr. Lancaster.

2035. And it came under your personal observation at the time?—No.

2036. Have you never looked at the list of applications?—No.

2037. Not up to the present moment?—No.

2038. Have you never observed it?—No; it has been entirely in the hands of the accountant.

2039. Should you know it if you were to see it?—I question if I should.

2040. Have you ever looked at the list of appropriations?—No.

2041. Are you altogether uninformed of the appropriations in the Kent Railway?—Yes, I may say I am; I was absent at the time.

2042. Did you make any applications, on behalf of friends of your own, for Kent shares?—No.

2043. Have you any connexions of your own on the deed?—One.

2044. Then I am to understand you know nothing whatever of the number or character of the parties applying, or of the appropriation to particular individuals by the board?—Decidedly so, as regards the Kent; I was absent at the time the appropriation was made, and the minutes are in the hand-writing of Mr. Green.

2045. Have you made any communications to your Dover board of the purchase of the letters?—No; certainly not.

2046. Not to any individual connected with the company? Was not the fact well known to the board, that a great number of the letters had been purchased?—The fact was well known, I believe, that a great number of the letters were saleable and purchasable in the market. I cannot say positively that the board were aware, that any large quantities were purchased by any individuals, in particular.

2047. Were the board informed, after the appropriation, of a considerable proportion having been appropriated to needy and necessitous persons?—They might have been informed of it; there was no official communication upon the subject.

2048. Were they not fully aware of it?—They might have been aware of it, as a subject of general conversation; I cannot say that it was.

2049. Was it never a subject of conversation in the board-room?—In all probability it was.

2050. Many of the gentlemen, members of the Dover board, were members of the Kent board?—Yes, they were.

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2051. Who is Captain Henry Jones?—He is a man of large property, and that is all I know of him.

2052. Did you ever see him at the board?—No; you are speaking of Kent.

2053. No; of Dover?—He never attended; he sent in his resignation.

2054. At what time, about what time, do you recollect?—On the 24th of November 1835; it was dated the 23d of November.

2055. Did any other directors decline to act?—No other; Mr. Neave subsequently resigned.

2056. Were their names advertised, after their resignation as directors?—I should apprehend not advertised; the prospectus remained in existence; I cannot recollect whether they were or not.

2057. Do you recollect withdrawing their names from the advertisement, after their resignation?—No, I do not.

2058. The original capital of the Kent Railway Consolidated Company was two millions?—Yes.

2059. When did you first understand that the surveyor and engineer's estimate would very much exceed that sum?—On the 12th of February.

2060. How did you acquire that information?—From the engineer himself.

2061. Where?—At his office.

2062. In Great George-street?—Yes.

2063. For what purpose did you go down to the engineer?—To the best of my recollection, I went to ask decidedly what the estimate would amount to.

2064. Had you any report from him, or any other of the surveyors, before that day?—Not upon the subject of the estimate.

2065. None whatever?—None whatever.

2066. What passed between you and Mr. Walker on that occasion?—I believe I asked him what the exact estimate would be, if he could tell me; and he told me, I must not consider it as falling below three millions.

2067. Did he state when he should deliver in the estimate?—No, he did not.

2068. Did you make any communication to the board of that information derived on that day from Mr. Walker?—No.

2069. What was the next time you heard anything of the extent of the estimate?—I heard nothing more of it, till I saw a copy of the estimate.

2070. When did you see it?—When it went in.

2071. When did you see it?—On the morning of the day they were deposited.

2072. Where did you see it?—I saw it at the solicitor's office.

2073. Which solicitor?—Mr. M'Dougal.

2074. The parliamentary agent?—Yes, such is my impression.

2075. Have you ever seen it in the office of either of the solicitors?—No.

2076. Or had any communication with either of the solicitors upon the subject of the estimate?—No, I had no communication prior to that, except hearing from Mr. Woodgate, that it might exceed two millions.

2077. When did you hear that?—It might be a week or ten days previously, but to a small amount.

2078. Subsequent to that communication with Mr. Walker, what communication had you with Mr. Woodgate, or the other solicitor?—Nothing, except stating, that the estimate, I found, exceeded far more than I anticipated.

2079. Were you aware that it was necessary to have a moiety of the estimate subscribed?—Yes.

2080. Were you informed of what the amount of subscriptions was, that was extant before your communication with Mr. Walker?—Yes, I was.

2081. What was it?—Rather better than one million.

2082. What day do you refer to, when it was better than a million?—On Monday the 13th.

2083. At the time you were at Mr. Walker's; what was the day you were there?—Monday the 13th.

2084. What time of the day was it?—It was ten in the morning, I think.

2085. Did you on that occasion perceive the necessity of increasing the subscription deed in amount?—I did.

2086. Where did you go to, after you left Mr. Walker?—I think I went to the city, to our office in Cornhill.

2087. Where did you go to, before you went there?—Unless I went back to Mr. M'Dougal, I have no recollection of going anywhere else.

2088. Did you go to either of the solicitors?—No, I think not.

2089. Are

2089. Are you sure you did not?—I am not sure of it; I have no recollection of it.

2090. When you got to the office of the company, was it a board day?—It was not.

2091. Had you any communication on that day with any of the directors?—I think it probable I might have had communication, probably with the chairman, Mr. Phillpotts.

2092. Had you not in fact communication with Mr. Phillpotts?—If I had the minutes, the attendance book, I could state it distinctly; I do not recollect.

2093. *Chairman.*] It does not refer to the minutes of attendance?—I could state distinctly from that.

2094. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you kept any memorandum?—No.

2095. What do you mean?—I could see by the attendance of the directors.

2096. *Chairman.*] If they looked in casually, was any notice taken of it?—Yes, they signed the book.

2097. Mr. *Parkes.*] In point of fact, had you not communication with Mr. Phillpotts, upon the subject of the subscription not amounting to half of the sum?—Yes, but I cannot say whether it was that day.

2098. Where is that attendance book?—It is at the office at Westminster.

[*The book was sent for.*]

2099. What passed between you and Mr. Phillpotts on that occasion?—I simply told him, that the estimate exceeded very materially the sum we estimated, and there would be some difficulty in getting the required capital subscribed.

2100. What further passed?—Nothing further passed at that time.

2101. On what day?—If it was Monday; I am not clear it was Monday.

2102. Was it understood between you, you should increase the signatures?—I told Mr. Phillpotts myself, it would be necessary to get further subscriptions to make up the amount; whether it was Tuesday morning or not, I do not know.

2103. Had you any conversation with him upon the subject of the persons to be obtained to sign?—No.

2104. None whatever?—None whatever.

2105. Have you witnessed any signatures to a deed, previous to that deed?—Yes.

2106. In consequence of that interview with him, when did you resume, if it was on the Monday, to obtain signatures?—It would be immediately; I began to get signatures as soon as I possibly could, after I knew the great amount of capital requisite.

2107. On the Monday morning?—Yes.

2108. Point out to the Committee the names on the deed you obtained on the Monday.

[*The Witness referred to the deed.*]

2109. Take the first, on the Monday?—It is impossible to say whether they were obtained on the Monday; I can state the names I did obtain.

2110. Beginning at the first after your communication with Mr. Walker?—There is Frederick Syrett, New Kent-road, 3,000 *l.*; John Wettenhall, Walcot-place, Lambeth, 2,000 *l.*; Alexander Henry Smith, 43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park, gentleman, 10,000 *l.*; William Howard Short, 20, Guildford-street, Russell-square, gentleman, 10,000 *l.*; William E. Hammond, 27, Lombard-street, agent, 4,000 *l.*; John Hammond, 27, Lombard-street, gentleman, 3,000 *l.*; James Belden, Kenton-street, Brunswick-square, gentleman, 1,000 *l.*; Susan Nott, Brighton, widow, 1,000 *l.*; John Ray Howell, 17, Bucklersbury, gentleman, 10,000 *l.*; John Henry Anderson, 3, Cloak-lane, city, solicitor, 8,500 *l.*; George Stephen, Basinghall-street, gentleman, 5,000 *l.*; Philip Champ, 7, Retreat-place, Hackney, accountant, 5,100 *l.*; William Stephen, Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars, 3,500 *l.*; George Landmann, Great Eastcheap, civil engineer, 6,000 *l.*; Henry Bushell, 7, University-street, London, surveyor, 5,000 *l.*; John Pinhorn, 28, Carey-street, architect and civil engineer, 3,600 *l.*; Frederick Twynam, civil engineer, Greenwich, 4,000 *l.*; Charles Frederick Hamond, Blackheath, Kent, gentleman, 5,100 *l.*: those are all the signatures I think that my initials are to, which is my guide.

2111. *Chairman.*] Are there any others, besides those, to which your initials are attached, that you obtained in like manner?—Not in like manner.

2112. In any other manner?—The shares obtained in the north were obtained by me, and my initials are to them.

2113. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are those the names you have read?—No.

2114. Were they obtained previously to the 13th?—Yes.

2115. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] When you were on the subject of the shares held by

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by the directors of the Dover Company, I think you mentioned, that they possessed none except twenty, the amount of their qualification?—Yes.

2116. What was the amount of each share?—£. 50 a share.

2117. Did I understand you rightly, that although they actually only held twenty shares, yet that an amount of subscription extending to 5,000 *l.* was, in the subscription books, placed opposite to each name?—They signed their names for 5,000 *l.* subscription, without reference to the number of shares that they had at the time; they had none; there had been no appropriation.

2118. Am I to understand that they were to be *bonâ fide* subscribers to that amount?—Certainly.

2119. Mr. *Dugdale.*] They were to have shares to that amount afterwards?—Yes.

2120. Mr. *Young.*] The deed made them liable to that amount?—Yes, they subscribed 5,000 *l.* to the deed.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Dugdale.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Forster.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	Mr. John Young.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *Colin Smith,* called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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2121. WERE the signatures, beginning with Mr. Syrett and ending with C. F. Hamond, obtained, in point of time, in the order in which they are respectively signed to the deed?—They were.

2122. Do you recollect the day you got Mr. Syrett's?—No, I do not.

2123. It was after you came from Mr. James Walker's?—I am not clear of that; I read over the list of names I had obtained, to which my initials were attached, but without binding my memory to the time, or at what period.

2124. I understand you, that after returning from Mr. Walker's, you obtained a considerable number of further signatures?—I did; but whether I had obtained Mr. Syrett's prior to that, I do not know.

2125. You must recollect Mr. Wettenhall, a gentleman to the amount of 2,000 *l.*?—To the best of my recollection it was subsequent to that; but it was either that day, or the following day.

2126. Besides the list of eighteen names you gave yesterday, amounting to 89,800 *l.*, were there any other additions to the deed to your knowledge?—Certainly, to my knowledge.

2127. Besides the list you personally attested?—Yes.

2128. What were they?—[*The Witness referred to the deed.*]—There is Henry Cook, Hounsditch, that follows Mr. Syrett; which must have been signed, because here they are.

2129. Are you cognizant of those signatures?—No; I know that they must have been obtained, because here they are.

2130. Who obtained them?—Initials of Mr. Lancaster are attached to them.

2131. Do you not know after your last name, Mr. Lancaster did go out for further subscriptions; is not that within your personal knowledge, as secretary?—I have a recollection that Mr. Lancaster went out once, to a friend of his own.

2132. Who is that?—That I cannot tell you, I do not know.

2133. You do not know the name of his friend?—No; I took no cognizance of it.

2134. Do you know, when he obtained those names that bear his initials?—I do not.

2135. Endeavour to recollect yourself?—It is useless.

2136. Was not it after you obtained the prior ones?—Yes, certainly.

2137. *Chairman.*] Was the part of the deed blank which follows the signatures G. F. Hamond, at the time you obtained the signatures, beginning with Syrett and ending with Hamond?—It is another part of the deed.

2138. Was

2138. Was the other part of the deed, beginning with Syrett and ending with Hamond, blank at the time you obtained the signatures?—Yes: wherever I obtained the signatures, it was the last on the deed.

2139. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you cognizant of any alterations of the figures, after the execution of the first subscription?—I am.

2140. Are you cognizant of any alteration of the figures, other than those of the directors?—None.

2141. Just give me the deed?—[*The deed was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

2142. Whose initials are these to William Mills, 4,500 *l.*, that had originally been 2,000 *l.*?—Mr. Lancaster's.

2143. Are you, in point of fact, cognizant of the alteration of any figures of gentlemen or persons whose execution you attested?—Certainly not.

2144. Do you remember the board meeting on the Tuesday, preceding the lodgment in the Private Bill Office?—I do.

2145. What communication was made, if any, to the board, of the then amount of the subscription deed, or of Mr. James Walker's intended deposit of the estimate?—The only communication that was made, was by myself: it was not a formal communication to the board; I stated to Mr. Phillpotts, the chairman, that in consequence of this increased estimate we should have some difficulty in getting subscriptions; and I suggested to him, whether the directors would double their subscriptions.

2146. Was that to the board?—Yes.

2147. Did you state to them what had passed with Mr. Walker?—No, I did not.

2148. Did you not state the substance of it?—Simply, that I found the estimate to be increased by one-third unexpectedly.

2149. On that occasion, what did you say to the chairman; what took place in relation to their increase of subscriptions?—Mr. Phillpotts immediately acceded to the suggestion, and made the alteration. I applied to several of the other directors, round, to follow his example.

2150. Was there any discussion on it?—None whatever.

2151. What took place on the part of those gentlemen who refused?—They declined, simply.

2152. Who were they that declined?—Colonel Skerrett objected, and Captain Stock.

2153. Did Mr. Borradaile object?—Mr. Borradaile was not present.

2154. Are you sure of that?—Quite sure.

2155. Were the solicitors present then; they are marked in attendance in the minute?—That implies that they were there, certainly, at the commencement, or during some period of the meeting; whether they were there during the whole period, I cannot say.

2156. *Chairman.*] At the period of this discussion, were they there then; that is the question?—I have no distinct recollection that they were, or that they were not.

2157. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you, previously to the board meeting, on that day or afterwards, cast up the amount of the subscriptions already on the deed?—I had cast it up some time before, and kept a memorandum.

2158. Were the directors cognizant of the quantity of further subscription necessary to make a moiety of the estimated amount?—Yes; they were on that day.

2159. Did you, after that meeting on Tuesday, procure any further subscriptions? [*The Witness hesitated.*] Come, you are smiling!—I must have done it; but it is a thing that would not impress itself upon my mind.

2160–61. Look at the deed, and say what further you procured?

Chairman.] From circumstances, do you feel confident you did?

Witness.] I think I did obtain further subscriptions; [*The Witness referred to the deed.*] Yes, decidedly; here are some.

2162. Mr. *Parkes.*] State them to the Committee?—George Stevens, Basinghall-street, gentleman, 5,000 *l.*; Philip Champ, 7, Retreat-place, Hackney, accountant, 5,100 *l.*

2163. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Those names you gave to us yesterday?—Yes.

2164. *Chairman.*] Did you obtain the other names contained in the list you gave to the Committee yesterday, beginning with George Stephen, and ending with C. F. Hamond?—No; C. F. Hamond was obtained prior to that; it was upon another deed.

2165. What is the last?—F. Twynam, and those last five were obtained subsequently, since the deposit: they are not in the deposited copy; it was an oversight in reading them yesterday, beginning George Landmann, and those that I read.

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2166. Mr. *Parkes.*] What day were those obtained?—Those were obtained on the Monday following.

2167. Before the presentation of the petition presented by the honourable Chairman?—Yes, before.

2168. *Chairman.*] The last of those five is C F. Hamond?—No; that was obtained before George Landmann, Henry Bushell, John Pinhorn and Frederick Twynam; four.

2169. The last four?—The last four.

2170. Mr. *Parkes.*] You deposited C. F. Hamond in the Private Bill Office?—Yes.

2171. Whose initials are against all those names?—My initials are there.

2172. Are we to understand, excepting the 18 names you have given in with the respective amounts attached to them, you obtained no other signatures to any of the deeds?—

Mr. *Thesiger.*] Have you got any list written out; it would save time?—

—*Witness.*] No, I have not; here is one I did not read yesterday, Edward Hicks Fielder, which I obtained.

2173. When?—Some time previously.

2174. *Chairman.*] How long before?—Ten days or a fortnight.

2175. Was that obtained after you had some inkling of there being an increase in the estimate?—Yes; I had an intimation it would probably exceed it.

2176. Mr. *Parkes.*] In the week preceding the 13th of February, what amount of subscriptions had you obtained, if any?—It was in the week preceding that, that Charles Frederick Hamond signed, to the best of my recollection; and it appears to be the only one.

2177. Is that the only one, to your recollection, that you procured the week preceding?—Yes.

2178. Did you obtain, the week immediately preceding Monday the 13th, several subscriptions, and what?—To the best of my recollection, it is impossible to state it; I think Mr. Hamond was.

2179. Were not there others?—No, not to my recollection.

2180. Examine the lists, and supply a list of such names, if there are any?—I will do so.

2181. Had you any communication from any of the directors at that meeting of parties whose signatures you might obtain if you attended them?—No.

2182. Had you none from Mr. Phillpotts?—No, none whatever.

2183. Had you any from any other person?—None.

2184. From Mr. Brothers?—None.

2185. Were there any signatures obtained by the solicitors, or on their suggestion?—None to my knowledge of that description.

2186. Were you by them directed to receive any executions of any sums for them, or instructed by them [*the Witness paused*]; come you must really recollect?—None of that description.

2187. What description?—

Chairman.] Had you any communication from them direct or indirect, or of any kind whatever, on the subject of obtaining additional subscriptions to the deed?—

—*Witness.*] No; there was a communication made to sign for shares.

2188. State to us what you allude to?—Two signatures on the deed for 25,000 *l.* each.

2189. Mr. *Parkes.*] What were they?—Signed by William Austin and Thomas Samuel Neville.

2190. Who made that communication?—Messrs. Currie & Woodgate.

2191. Which of the firm?—There was a note from each to sign for each the shares allotted to them.

2192. Have you those notes?—No.

2193. *Chairman.*] From each of whom?—From Messrs. Currie & Woodgate, to sign for the shares allotted to them.

2194. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you sure the notes were from each individual?—I am not sure.

2195. Were the names given of the persons to sign for those shares?—I do not recollect.

2196. How do you know that the notes related to those two names?—Because I was in the room.

2197. When?

2197. When?—At the period when they brought the notes with them.

2198. Do you know anything of the signatures by those individuals?—I know nothing, but it was signed in the room in my presence.

2199. Who attested them?—Mr. Green's initials.

2200. Was he present? come recollect yourself?—I think he was, I presume he was as he attested.

2201. Was he?—I believe he was.

2202. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] You say, when they brought the notes: do you mean, when the parties brought the notes, or the messenger?—The parties who signed.

2203. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you got those notes?—I have not seen them since.

2204. *Chairman.*] What did you do with them?—I have never seen them since.

2205. What are you in the habit of doing with such notes?—Putting them in the fire.

2206. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you done that, with regard to any other written applications for shares, or directions as to signatures?—I do not recollect any other.

2207. *Chairman.*] Was not this your authority for transferring to Mr. Austin and Mr. Neville two parcels of shares, subscribed for by two other parties?—It was an allotment.

2208. To two other individuals?—It was an allotment of 500 shares to each of those gentlemen.

2209. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are those notes the only authority you had for taking their signatures?—Yes.

2210. Have you, or have you not, destroyed them?—I have not got them.

2211. Have you made any search for them?—No, I have not.

2212. Do you know who has?—No.

2213. Have you had any communication with any parties, since the presentation of the petition, relating to those notes?—I have asked Mr. Green if he had them.

2214. What did he tell you?—No.

2215. Why did you not attest the signatures, as you were present?—It is for that reason I think Mr. Green was present.

2216. What reason?—That he attested them.

2217. Did you send for him to attest them?—No: I state distinctly, it is because his initials are there, I presume he was there.

2218. What day was it these two signatures, of 25,000 *l.* each, were attached to the deed?—It was probably on the Wednesday.

2219. The day of the deposit of the list, or the day preceding?—The day preceding; but those are circumstances that were not impressed on my mind at all.

2220. What sort of looking persons were Mr. Austin or Mr. Neville?—That I cannot say: I should not know them if I met them.

2221. Did not their appearance strike you as something peculiar, for such a sum?—No.

2222. You state that positively?—Yes; and besides that, I knew the shares were not theirs, that they represented two gentlemen perfectly competent, and that it was a *bonâ fide* subscription, in my belief.

2223. What ages did they appear to be?—Between 30 and 40, I think: middle-aged men.

2224. Were not they persons of a very ordinary description in appearance?—No, certainly not, it did not strike me that they were.

2225. Do you know who they are?—No.

2226. Do you know anything about them?—No.

2227. Have you heard since who they are?—No.

2228. Are there any other parties who signed through the instrumentality of such nominees, to your knowledge?—Not to my knowledge.

2229. Are you positive of that?—Yes.

2230. What other persons represented subscriptions on the deed by the signatures of other parties?—None, that I am aware of.

2231. Have you any personal knowledge of any single party connected with the Kent Railway, who, through the instrumentality of other persons, had his shares so signed for?—No, I have not.

2232. In no instance; now recollect yourself?—No, I have no recollection of yan.

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2233. Is there the signature of a Mr. Holland to the deed?—Edmund Charles Holland?

2234. Yes?—Yes, it is here.

2235. Who is he?—I do not know.

2236. Who attested his signature?—Mr. Lancaster.

2237. *Chairman.*] What is the amount?—£. 12,000.

2238. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you mean to say you do not know who he is?—I do not.

2239. And never heard?—No.

2240. Are there any persons whose shares are not their own representation?—Certainly not, to my knowledge.

2241. Do you know who Mr. Chaplin is, of Sudbourn, Suffolk?—He is the brother-in-law of Mr. Brothers, I believe.

2242. Do you know who he is?—No.

2243. Is he on the deed for 25,000 *l.*?—£. 20,000.

2244. And 5,000 *l.* besides?—Not to my knowledge, I am not aware of it.

2245. You know nothing of it?—No.

2246. Do you know anything of George Price, 25,000 *l.*?—He is secretary to the London and Exeter Railway.

2247. When did he sign?—I should think on Monday; probably on Monday.

2248. Do you know that Mr. Brothers signed the deed twice, for 20,000 *l.*, and for 5,000 *l.*?—I have understood he did; I was not aware whether it was twice or thrice; I know it was more than once.

2249. Was it in your presence?—No.

2250. Do you know Mr. Frederick Brome, described as of Woolwich, Kent, 35,250 *l.*; do you not know, as secretary, you have a very large subscriber of such a name?—A gentleman for 35,250 *l.*

2251. Do you know anything of him?—No.

2252. Have you seen him?—Not unless I have seen him at the office; I have no recollection of him.

2253. Not by name, as being at the office?—No.

2254. Who took the deed to him; whose initials are against it?—Robert Lancaster.

2255. Who is Mr. J. Wettenhall, whose signature you got for 2,000 *l.*?—He is the editor of the Railway Gazette.

2256. Where does he live?—In Lambeth, I believe.

2257. Who is A. H. Smith, 10,000 *l.*?—He is a brother-in-law of Mr. Short.

2258. Who is Mr. Short?—One of our directors.

2259. What is he?—A private gentleman.

2260. Who is Mr. G. Stevens, 5,000 *l.*?—He is the solicitor and secretary to the Mentor Life Assurance Company.

2261. Who is Mr. William Stevens?—He is his brother.

2262. What is he?—In the same office.

2263. As a clerk?—Yes.

2264. £. 3,500?—If it is so stated, I presume so.

2265. Who is H. Bushell?—He is a clerk in Colonel Landmann's office.

2266. Were you acquainted with him, before he signed?—Yes.

2267. Who introduced you to him?—I was introduced at the office to him.

2268. By whom?—Mr. Pinhorn.

2269. Who is he?—One of Colonel Landmann's assistants.

2270. An ordinary draftsman?—I do not know.

2271. Who introduced you to him?—I knew him, since I have been at the office.

2272. Who is Frederick Twynam?—He is a friend of Colonel Landmann's, and a civil engineer.

2273. Who introduced you to him?—I have known him, ever since my connexion with the company.

2274. Were they all in the office together?—They were.

2275. The whole batch of them?—The whole three.

2276. Are there any other persons you got to sign, except those three?—At that period?

2277. Yes?—Colonel Landmann, at that period.

2278. For 6,000 *l.*?—Yes.

2279. Were any deposits paid by any of them?—No.

2280. Did you state to them the pressure for further subscriptions, on account of the estimate?—Yes, I did.

2281. Who is C. F. Hamond, 3,500 *l.*?—He is the son of Frederick Hamond, of Greenwich.

2282. Where did you see him?—He came to the office.

2283. Do you recollect the day on which the deed was taken by Mr. Green to Mr. Hamond's office?—I do.

2284. What day was it?—On Tuesday.

2285. Were you cognizant of his going to Mr. Hamond for the purpose of further subscriptions?—I was.

2286. Did you give any instructions to Mr. Green?—None.

2287. He took the commission upon himself?—He did, certainly.

2288. Did you know of its coming back again that evening?—I knew it was to come back again; I did not know it had come back till, the following morning.

2289. When did you see Mr. Hamond, after the signatures obtained at his office?—The Wednesday morning.

2290. The Wednesday following the Tuesday?—Yes.

2291. Did he state to you he had been the instrument of procuring further subscriptions, or what did he state to you?—I am not certain whether there was any communication at all upon the subject of the deed.

2292. What is the paper you hold in your hand?—A memorandum of the circumstances.

2293. Read it?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

Mr. *Parkes.*] When did you prepare this memorandum?

—*Witness.*] This memorandum I prepared, subsequently to the presentation of the petition.

2294. Have you any objection to read it to the Committee?—No, none; it is merely to assist my memory.—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the paper being read.

Mr. *Parkes* withdrew his request that the paper should be read.

Witness.] On the Wednesday Mr. Hamond called by appointment, and I accompanied him to the west end of the town; and I am not at all clear, whether any communication was made respecting the deed on that day, or not, to me.

2295. Where did you accompany him to?—To the Home Office.

2296. For any purpose connected with the railway?—To present certain petitions.

2297. Did you go anywhere else?—To the Woods and Forests.

2298. Did nothing pass between you, as to the signatures attached to the deed at his office the day before?—Certainly not, on that day.

2299. What was the first communication you had with him upon the subject, and what passed?—On the following day, on Thursday.

2300. State what passed?—The only circumstance I recollect is, that I was aware then that certain means had been adopted.—

Mr. *Hill* inquired whether the Committee thought it was competent to Mr. Parkes to go into an inquiry of what passed, after the subscription of the deed?

The *Chairman* stated that this evidence came within a different rule.

—*Witness.*] On Thursday I knew, but whether Mr. Hamond himself told me, or I had heard it by a rumour out of doors, I do not recollect.

2301. *Chairman.*] Heard what?—That money had been paid for those signatures that Mr. Hamond had obtained.

2302. When was it you first knew that Mr. Hamond had obtained signatures to a large amount?—I knew on Tuesday afternoon, the deed went to his house in the morning of that day. Mr. Hamond and myself went westward on that afternoon, the Tuesday afternoon; I then knew that the deed was signed.

2303. Did you know to what amount it had been signed?—No, I did not; I had not seen it; I had not returned.

2304. How did you know he had obtained signatures to a large amount, if you had not seen the deed?—He told me.

2305. What did he tell you?—That he had obtained the signatures to the amount of about 200,000 *l.*, to the best of my recollection.

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2306. Tell us what else passed.—Nothing else passed upon that subject; we were going westward for another purpose, to present some petitions; and all I knew then, was, that the deed was signed.

2307. To a large amount, about 200,000*l.*?—Yes; that we had sufficient signed to go to Parliament.

2308. Did Mr. Hamond intimate to you that those signatures had been obtained, without any deposit being paid; were you aware of it?—I was aware of it.

Mr. *Thesiger* admitted, that all the signatures that were obtained upon and after the 13th, were obtained without any deposit.

2309. Mr. *Parkes.*] What further communications passed between you and Mr. Hamond, relative to those signatures, on the Tuesday?—Nothing whatever then.

2310. Subsequently what further passed?—The only other communication was from one, knowing it, (whether from Mr. Hamond himself, or from a rumour out of doors,) that such a circumstance had occurred, that money had been paid for those signatures, I expressed my strong regret when I heard of it.

2311. *Chairman.*] When did you first hear that money had been paid to parties who had signed?—In the course of Thursday.

2312. From whom did you learn it?—I am not certain whether it was from Mr. Hamond himself, it was first brought to me, or by rumour out of doors; and then I asked Mr. Hamond upon the subject.

2313. Mr. *Parkes.*] Has there been any cash account tendered to you against the company by Mr. Hamond, or anybody, in respect of money laid out at that time?—None whatever.

2314. Were you spoken to by Mr. Hamond on the subject?—No.

2315. Do you recollect any circumstances occurring at the office, of parties, so signing the deed, coming down to the office to complain of the smallness of the sum they had received?—Certainly not.

2316. Have you seen any parties who you believe are the parties who signed at Mr. Hamond's?—No.

2317. Have you seen them since?—I have seen one.

2318. Only one?—Only one, to my recollection.

2319. Were any other signatures procured by, or received through, the solicitors, or from the solicitors?—No.

2320. Do you know Mr. Boileau?—Yes; the standing counsel of the Dover.

2321. Is he resident in London now?—I do not know.

2322. Did you mention the circumstance to Mr. Hamond, of your having heard that money had been paid for signatures?—As I stated before, I am not certain whether I first mentioned it to him, or he to me.

2323. What did he state to you?

Mr. *Hill.*] When was this?

Witness.] On the Thursday.

2324. Mr. *Parkes.*] What did he state to you in respect of it, before the presentation of the petition?—He stated to me, that money had been paid to the parties.

2325. Have you had any other parties introduced to you by any of the solicitors, who appear on your deed for any sum?—No; no other parties.

2326. Is Mr. Vallance a subscriber?—No.

2327. Or anybody for him to your knowledge?—No.

2328. I again repeat the question; are there any other parties connected with your company, who are shareholders, represented by the signatures of other parties?—Not to my knowledge.

2329. After the alteration of the figures in the deed, opposite to the signatures of the directors, was there any new attestation?—No.

2330. Was there any re-delivery of the deed?—No, I think not.

2331. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Did you see them alter it?—Yes, some I did.

2332. You can speak as to those you saw?—I do not know that there was any re-delivery.

2333. Mr. *Parkes.*] You cannot say you saw all of them alter the figures?—No I was in the room when it was done.

2334. Perhaps you cannot say who you saw, except the chairman?—Yes, I saw Mr. Phillpotts and Mr. Brothers, certainly.

2335. Are your initials against all of them, in the original figures?—No, my initials are not against either.

2336. Whose are they?—Robert Lancaster's.

2337. Was

2337. Was he in the room at the time?—Not at the time the alteration was made.

2338. Do you know William Andrews, of Dulwich, 12,500 *l.*?—I know him only as connected with the London and Exeter Railway.

2339. James John Brown, Peckham, Surrey, do you know him?—No.

2340. Or William Hatchnell, 28, Wilson-street, Finsbury, 12,500 *l.*?—No.

2341. During the time you have acted as secretary to the board, have you been present during any discussions respecting the responsibility of the different parties whose names are attached to the deed?—No.

2342. What was the amount of the deposits paid for Kent shares alone, not exchanged?—1,444 shares, 2,888 *l.*

2343. Two thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight pounds have been paid in respect of original Kent shares?—Yes.

2344. No more than that?—No.

2345. What have been the total disbursements by the railway company?—I am not prepared to state, at the moment.

2346. *Chairman.*] About?—I have no idea.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the relevancy of the evidence to the allegations of the petition.

Mr. *Parkes* stated he had no wish to pursue the examination.

2347. Did you take any proceedings towards getting subscriptions in the large towns in the country?—For the Kent Company?

2348. Yes?—No other measures than merely advertising the prospectus.

2349. Had you any communication with any brokers at Manchester, Bristol, Liverpool, or Birmingham, upon the subject?—I think it probable; we have agents there; if so, they are in the letter book.

2350. Do you personally know anything of the responsibility of your country subscribers?—Of some of them.

2351. The great proportion?—No.

2352. They were most of them original subscribers?—Almost the whole of them.

2353. And have paid their deposits?—All of them.

2354. Be prepared to state to-morrow morning the total of the deposits paid by the country subscribers.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Rotch.*

2355. You have stated that you knew of no other persons who had given instructions to sign for them but the two, Mr. Neville and somebody else?—Yes.

2356. Just let me refresh your memory upon that point, with regard to persons in the country sending instructions through their bankers: is it not the practice for the town bankers' clerks to come with scrip that they have received in the course of business from the country, delivering it at your office, and then signing the deed for that scrip?—Decidedly so; they could not get the new scrip without it.

2357. Could they get the scrip they bring from the country exchanged, if they did not sign?—No.

2358. It is the rule then at the office, that you will not give the scrip in exchange, unless the party bringing it signs?—Decidedly.

2359. And those parties who so sign, do they sign their own names, or do they sign the names of the parties who send the scrip?—They sign their own names.

2360. You only look then to the actual holder of the scrip, for the name?—Yes, that is the actual qualification.

2361. Is not that on the face of the scrip itself, "the holder of this is entitled"?—Yes.

2362. That is the phraseology of the scrip paper itself?—Yes.

2363. Then a bank clerk might appear upon the face of your deed, as a very large holder of scrip?—Certainly.

2364. Without being responsible himself to anything like that amount?—Yes.

2365. By signing the deed, of course he makes himself responsible upon the deed, as everybody else does?—Yes.

2366. There is nothing in the deed to protect him from responsibility?—Certainly not.

2367. Would you think it right to object to anybody who brought scrip to be exchanged, if he were the holder of the scrip, because he had a ragged coat?—Assuredly not, we have no right to do it; the scrip is the qualification to sign.

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2368. Now just let us have a word about those deposits: is there anything at all that has reference to the parliamentary deed, connected with the deposits; have the deposits any thing to do with the parliamentary deed?—Nothing whatever.

2369. Is not the regulation, with reference to the deposits, a mere regulation among the directors of the company, to secure themselves for the expenses of the Act, and the amount of the surveys?—Yes, certainly.

2370. In your judgment would there be any difficulty in getting the deed signed, if it were not for the dreadful uncertainty of the progress of these proceedings in the House of Commons?—I should think not.

2371. Do you apprehend there would be any difficulty, if the Act of Parliament were obtained, in getting deposits as well as signatures?—No.

2372. Would the scrip then be issued, without the deposit being paid?—No, certainly not.

2373. So that those parties who have signed the deed, are not in a better position with regard to shares; they have got no scrip?—Certainly not.

2374. And though they have signed the deed, they could not get scrip, unless they paid the deposits?—No.

2375. Does not it, however, entitle them to demand and have the shares, if they do pay the deposit?—Certainly.

2376. Do you believe, if it did not confer upon them the right afterwards to demand the shares upon paying the deposit, you could have got any of those signatures at all?—I doubt it.

2377. Do you mean, you doubt whether you should have got them?—I doubt whether I should have got them, if it had not been for the impression that they might have their shares.

2378. *Chairman.*] Do you apply that to the parties that you yourself applied to?—Yes.

2379. Is it confined to that, or does it apply to all the parties who had signed under similar circumstances?—I suppose it applies to others, I speak only of those I applied to.

2380. Mr. *Rotch.*] I am asking your opinion?—Yes.

2381. If an amount of deposits had been paid, sufficient to cover your probable expenses, should you have had any hesitation at all, for the purpose of getting the parliamentary deed signed, on the most mature deliberation and consideration of the subject, in asking people to sign, without paying the deposits?—Certainly not.

2382. Is not the payment of the deposits a mere precaution on behalf of the directors, for their own security?—Nothing else.

2383. Now as to the directors altering the figures, instead of writing their names again, was not it done that the directors' names might still appear at the head of the list?—Certainly.

2384. And not be scattered about the deed?—Yes.

2385. Was not that given as a reason, at the time, for altering the sum instead of signing again?—Yes, it was; I myself suggested, that it might be signed in another part; but the chairman himself said that it was much better that their names should all stand there.

2386. At the head of the list?—Yes.

2387. Now, sir, I ask you, was not that alteration of the figures made *bonâ fide*, and did not the parties altering it intend to bind themselves to the additional sum by so altering it?—Certainly.

2388. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Was this alteration, and the motive of the alteration, ever announced to the public in a subsequent advertisement?—No.

2389. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Had they been previously published?—No; the public were not aware of the subscription list.

2390. Mr. *Gaskell.*] Why were not your initials placed the second time when the alteration was made, as they had been previously?—Speaking for myself it was an oversight; I never attached any importance to it or considered it necessary.

2391. Mr. *Brotherton.*] If a person signs the deed, has he a right to claim the shares, on paying the deposit?—Assuredly; I so consider it.

2392. If a person possesses scrip, can he, at any time, claim a right to sign the deed, and take the shares?—Yes, the scrip represents the shares, and those shares have been signed for, before it is issued.

2393. He cannot get the scrip, until he has signed?—No.

2394. Then a person cannot possess scrip, unless he has signed the deed?—Yes, because he may purchase it in the market.

2395. Then if I possess 20,000 *l.* of scrip, and I send a person to sign the deed who is not worth twenty-pence, which of us is responsible; is he who signs the deed responsible?—Yes.

2396. Am I, as a holder of scrip, entitled to shares?—Yes.

2397. *Chairman.*] To whom is it the directors are entitled to look for the payment of the subsequent instalments: is it not to the parties who sign the deed?—To the parties who sign the deed: but there are no instalments, until the Act is obtained.

2398. If a person of property thinks proper to send a mere clerk with the scrip to sign the deed for him, he releases himself from all responsibility for the payment of the subsequent instalments?—He releases himself from all responsibility to the directors: the directors can only look to the name on the deed.

2399. If parties living in the country, employ the banker's clerks to hold their scrip, produce it, and sign the deed, those parties in the country incur no responsibility whatever to the directors for the payment of the subsequent instalments?—Not to the directors.

2400. A banker's clerk, in receipt of a small salary, and possibly of no property whatever, is not a person to whom the directors, or the public, can look with any confidence for the payment of the remaining portions of the shares that they have subscribed for?—He is the party to whom the directors must look; his name is on the deed.

2401. If the shares, instead of being at a premium, fell to a discount: the original subscriber sends a banker's clerk with the scrip, and shrinks from the responsibility, and shifts it to the banker's clerk: in that case, what remedy have the directors beyond that of proceeding against the banker's clerk?—No other remedy; but the banker's clerk is no doubt indemnified by the party for whom he signs.

2402. Do you know him to be so in those cases?—I know I would not sign without.

2403. Do you know that the banker's clerk, in those cases where he appears with the scrip on behalf of other parties, has received that indemnity from the parties who so sent him?—No, I do not know it, but I suppose he has.

2404. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is there any memorandum or endorsement upon the scrip the banker's clerk brings, to show it is not his, but the original owner's?—It is not necessary that there should be.

2405. Is this practice you have described peculiar to this company, or from your general knowledge of railway companies, is it the general habit?—It is peculiar to this company, being an amalgamation of other companies.

2406. Are you talking of the scrip that has been previously signed for any other company?—Yes.

2407. You are not talking of scrip issued *de novo* in this company?—No.

Mr. *Rotch* explained to the Committee the nature and object of the deed deposited in the Private Bill Office.

2408. Mr. *Rotch.*] Is this subscription deed a deed shown to the public at any time in any way; is it published?—It lies in the office, for any person interested.

2409. Who wishes to sign it?—Yes.

2410. Is it ever published like your prospectus, or advertised?—Not to my knowledge.

2411. *Chairman.*] Are you not aware that, under the regulation of the Standing Orders applicable to Railway Bills, the names of all subscribers above 2,000 *l.* are actually printed by order of the House of Commons?—Yes.

2412. The sums so stated are taken from the subscription list?—Yes, which is deposited.

2413. Mr. *Rotch.*] I am now going to ask you a question with respect to the parties who held scrip in the original company; when they brought the scrip to be exchanged, you could do nothing but exchange it?—No.

2414. Because it had been previously advertised to the public, as their qualification?—Yes.

2415. Under that advertisement, if any ticket-porter or householder in the street had gone into the market and bought the scrip, and brought it to you, you must have exchanged it, without asking any questions?—Yes, we must.

2416. About those letters of appropriation you mentioned yesterday, having purchased several of them at three-pence or four-pence a share, I want to know

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what you meant by that: do you mean you purchased the letter, appropriating ten shares, for thirty pence?—Yes, for thirty pence.

2417. At three-pence a share, according to the number of shares appropriated?—Yes.

2418. Mr. *Brotherton.*] But had the persons signed the deed?—No, they had not accepted it.

2419. *Chairman.*] This was merely the answer of the directors, saying that the shares had been appropriated?—Yes.

2420. Mr. *Rotch.*] Was not that one mode of selling shares at a premium?—It was four-pence premium, certainly.

2421. Upon each share; the obtaining of that letter only entitled the holder to get shares upon the payment of the deposit?—Assuredly.

2422. Of course the directors had nothing whatever to do with that premium?—Nothing whatever.

2423. It only shows it was considered a privilege to have shares even appropriated to you in that company at that time?—Yes, exactly so.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Hill.*

2424. I suppose, from the circumstance of your buying and selling these letters, you were not aware that those things were contrary to law; you are not a lawyer?—No; I really was not.

2425. Perhaps you are not very conversant with the Standing Orders of the House of Commons; you never learnt them by heart?—No.

2426. Nor read them?—Yes, I have read them.

2427. You were not brought up to the law at all?—No.

2428. From this time down to the 14th of February, you have not troubled your head about law or standing orders?—Certainly not about law.

2429. You have told us, that Mr. Hamond was only a very short time in the office when he called to see you and Mr. Green together; he was only there a few moments?—At what period do you now speak of?

2430. The 14th?—A very short time.

2431. The day the deed was sent to his house?—A very short time.

2432. It was all hurry and bustle that day?—Yes, it was.

2433. No time for conversation or explanation?—Not at that time; we had another object in view.

2434. Mr. Hamond's call was quite accidental?—I do not recollect whether it was accidental or not.

2435. *Chairman.*] Did you not say that he called by appointment?—No, I saw him the afternoon before; my only doubt is, whether he said, "I will call upon you to-morrow."

2436. Mr. *Hill.*] He had some petitions from Greenwich?—Yes.

2437. *Chairman.*] It was the Wednesday that he called by appointment?—Yes.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

2438. You state the custom with regard to this representation of country scrip by London bankers' clerks; what knowledge have you upon this subject?—Nothing beyond what exists in our own company.

2439. What do you know of such a custom in respect of your own company?—That it has been done.

2440. By whom?—By some clerks in Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.'s.

2441. When did you know it?—I have only known it lately.

2442. Since the presentation of this petition?—Probably a month.

2443. Do you not know that the bankers' clerks in London are considerable subscribers to these sort of companies, and dealers in shares?—I do not.

2444. You never heard of it?—No.

2445. You state, that the deposits are a regulation between the directors, to secure a reimbursement of their expenses?—Yes.

2446. Do you not think the directors ought, *pro ratâ,* to pay their deposits, as well as the general *bonâ fide* subscribers?—The directors should pay the deposits on the shares they take.

2447. Did you ever hear of your directors paying deposits on the additional subscription, altered on the morning of the 14th?—No.

2448. Have you never heard that respectable and careful companies' directions will not allow scrip to anybody, who brings bankers' receipts in payment of deposits?—No.

2449. Have

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2449. Have you never heard, it is a direction to the secretary and accountant, not to give any scrip, till they ascertain who the parties are, the bearers of those receipts?—No.

2450. You took no pains, in relation to the receipts brought to your office, to inquire who the parties were that demanded the scrip?—None whatever.

2451. You state, that you suggested that the directors should sign in another place for the additional subscription on the 14th of February?—In this manner I stated, "Mr. Philpotts, will you sign it here, or alter it? it seems to me immaterial;" and he just took his pen, and altered it at once.

2452. Do you not know that the deed had a better appearance, in that way, to new subscribers, than if, at the end of the deed and general body of subscriptions, the further subscriptions of the directors had been placed, as if made last?—Yes, certainly it would have a better appearance, standing first.

2453. Do you not deem that the land-owners and the public are interested in the *bonâ fide* character of the subscription list; that they are parties deeply interested in it?—Clearly so.

2454. Did you not know during the attainment of those subscriptions, in the week in which the deposit of the list was made, that, before the Committees of both Houses of Parliament, it is necessary that evidence should be given upon the amount of deposits paid, and the general responsibility of the parties in the list?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The Committee decided that the question was pertinent.

Witness.] No, I do not know it.

2455. Did you know it?—No.

2456. Is this an advertisement by your company on the 28th of May 1836, in the Maidstone Gazette of the 7th of June? [*handing a paper to the Witness.*]—It is.

2457. Was the insertion of it directed by you?—It was directed either by me, or Mr. Green.

2458. Do you recollect the following passage:—"The capital required to carry into effect this great national work, is estimated at two million sterling, the greater part of which has been provided by an arrangement, under which the property and interests of the late London and Gravesend, and London and Dover Companies, have been transferred to the present enterprize;" do you recollect that?—Yes, I do.

2459. Was this advertisement, which I hold in my hand, inserted by you in the Dover Chronicle, bearing date Saturday, February the 18th? [*handing another paper to the Witness.*]—Yes it was.

2460. Was that the date of drawing up such advertisement, at the foot of the advertisement, under the date of "76, Cornhill, 1st of November 1836?"—Yes, I presume it is so, as it is there.

2461. Is this a passage contained in the original draft of the advertisement:—"It remains for the directors only to state, that the capital being provided by an arrangement under which the property and interests of the late Gravesend and Dover Companies had been transferred to the Kent, they are prepared to approach Parliament in the approaching session with a case, presenting in every respect the strongest claims to legislative protection and support." Is that a part of the original draft of the advertisement?—I have every reason to suppose it is.

2462. Does the advertisement commence with stating the capital to be two millions of money?—Yes, I have no doubt it does.

2463. What is meant by the statement representing that the directors had provided the capital; was not that an announcement that the capital was provided to the amount stated at the head of the advertisement?—It may be as well to admit at once that this is a mere oversight in the original composition of the advertisement. I must take the blame to myself, that instead of stating the greater part of the capital has been provided, I strictly intended at the time, in point of fact, the greater part of the deposits, the money to go on with; that was the impression under which I did it, for it is my own paragraph, and it was never recalled; I can vouch for it that there was no deception intended whatever.

2464. Was that advertisement continuously inserted in the public papers up to a Saturday in the last month?—Yes, it was so from time to time. I may mention, with respect to the Dover Telegraph you have alluded to, I believe it was an omission; the order was given previously, but it had been omitted in that paper, and that is the reason it appears so lately; it was an omission on the part of the newspaper agent.

2465. It appears in the Maidstone Gazette, November the 27th, 1836.—[*Another*

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other paper was handed to the Witness.]—Was that an oversight in the same words?—No, it is the same that has been continued in all the Kent papers.

2466. Mr. *Rotch.*] "It remains for the directors only to state, that the capital being provided by an arrangement under which the property and interests of the late Gravesend and Dover Companies have been transferred to the Kent, they are prepared to approach Parliament in the ensuing session with a case presenting;" and so forth, do you find those words in the advertisement?—Yes, it is so.

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2467. WHAT is your name?—Henry Rowley.

2468. What is your calling or trade?—An accountant.

2469. Have you any office?—No, I have not.

2470. *Chairman.*] Where do you live?—At Cooper's-row, Tower-hill.

2471. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you a clerk in Mr. Hamond's office?—I have occasionally been at Mr. Hamond's office; not a clerk to him exactly.

2472. Have you had any connexion with him in relation to the Kent Company?—I have gone round Deptford and Greenwich to get a petition signed in favour of the Kent Company passing through Greenwich-park.

2473. When was that?—As long ago as last April.

2474. Employed by Mr. Hamond?—Yes.

2475. He paid you for it?—Yes.

2476. Have you any objection to state to the Committee at what rate he paid you?—He paid me on that occasion 7 *s.* 6 *d.* a day, and on several occasions, during that year, I was called upon to go round, but afterwards I understood it was decided that the Commissioners of Woods and Forests would not comply with the railway going through the park.

2477. Were you paid according to the number of names you got?—No.

2478. At no time?—No, I was paid so much a day; 8 *s.* 6 *d.* was the last payment I got; but there were many others engaged at that time.

2479. Were youc oncerned with Mr. Hamond in the obtaining any subscribers to the Kent Railway deed at any time?

Mr. *Hill* objected to the question.

Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you anything to do with the signatures put by yourself or any other parties to the Kent Railway deed?

Witness.] I signed the deed myself.

2480. For how much?—£. 10,500.

2481. Did you pay any deposit?—No.

2482. State to the Committee under what circumstances you signed the deed, and where it was?—Where I signed it, was at Mr. Hamond's counting-house; Mr. Green brought it round.

2483. Do you know the day?—February 14th.

2484. Detail to the Committee all the circumstances that took place on that occasion?—I signed for 10,500 *l.* by the request of Mr. Green, and in the presence of Mr. Hamond; and Mr. Green desired me, when the parties came to sign, to get them to put the amount down to their names, as I considered, in my judgment, the respectability of the residence would bear, and I did so accordingly.

2485. Where did you procure the persons?—I must go back until the Monday, the day previous to signing the deed, when Mr. Hamond told me, on the Greenwich-road, he required 15 or 20 persons, stating no regular number, to sign the deed; and could I get some for him at about 2 *s.* or 3 *s.* each was his language to me. I said I had no connexions myself, but I could speak to a person I knew, that was connected with the Exchange, who perhaps might do so; and on the next morning I introduced Mr. Castello to Mr. Hamond, at his counting-house.

2486. Who is Mr. Castello?—He is a foreign broker, a stock-broker, or share-broker; I do not know exactly; I have seen him on 'Change frequently.

2487. *Chairman.*] Living where?—In a court in Jewry-street. Mr. Castello and Mr. Hamond, of course, entered into terms which I had nothing to do with.

2488. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you present?—Yes.

2489. State to the Committee what took place on that occasion?—Mr. Hamond wanted a number of names, stating no particular number, to the deed; but, previous to that, Mr. Green took away the deed an hour, and returned it again after I had signed it, and then Mr. Castello himself signed the deed, in the presence of Mr. Hamond and myself, in the counting-house. Mr. Castello and myself then went out together and went on 'Change; Mr. Castello then sent me back to the counting-house

counting-house with four or five persons to sign; at that time Mr. Hamond had left the counting-house. I then remained in the counting-house, and Mr. Castello sent whoever he thought fit, and I took their signatures.

2490. Continue with your narrative?—I have gone through it as nearly as I can recollect, until the deed was signed.

2491. By how many persons was the deed signed on that occasion?—Including Mr. Castello and myself, thirty-three.

2492. Do you know how many persons signed?—I have a list in my pocket [*producing a paper*]; it is a rough list.

2493. Was it made at the time?—Yes.

[*The paper was delivered in.*]

Watson,	Yeackell,	Townsend,
Thick,	Hatherwell,	Smyth,
Barnard,	Thompson,	Bensimar,
Rothchild,	Nicholson,	Benson,
Hurst,	Isaac,	Bargermeben,
Mendisen,	Brown,	Darrington,
Spence,	Johnson,	Wright,
Newcomb,	Lumley,	Swanale,
Lee,	Ansell,	Broad,
Poulton,	Jacobs,	Rowley,
Glaiser,	Nunez,	Castello.

2494. Do you know the amount for which they signed?—No, I do not.

2495. You would of course know your own signature?—Certainly I should.

2496. Is that your own signature for 10,500 *l.* [*showing the deed to the Witness*]?—Yes, it is.

2497. *Chairman.*] What are the initials?—W. G.

2498. What do you understand W. G. to be, do you understand it to be the initials of William Green?—I did not see him sign it.

2499. Did you sign it in his presence?—Yes, and he showed me how I was to get the rest to sign.

2500. Mr. *Parkes.*] Looking over the list of names, what is the name following yours?—The next name was put when Mr. Green took the deed from the counting-house; Mr. Castello signed when it came back; and all those other names as they run, are the names that signed before me, in the counting-house.

2501. *Chairman.*] Whose initials are put opposite those signatures you are referring to?—None at all.

2502. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did anything pass between you and Mr. Green, or did you see him on his return?—Mr. Green did not return himself with the deed the second time, but sent it round by a young man whom I know now to belong to the Kent-office.

2503. Were you present during the whole time those parties executed?—I was.

2504. What do you know about their payment for having so signed?—Mr. Castello and Mr. Hamond entered into an agreement for the payment of those men.

2505. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] In your presence?—Yes.

2506. Mr. *Parkes.*] What passed?—Mr. Hamond offered 2*s.*, and Mr. Castello and he were in dispute for a long time; and it was ultimately arranged to have 5*s.* for each person.

2507. What passed then?—Then Mr. Castello went away, and sent the parties.

2508. Was there any cash paid?—No, not at that moment; yes there was, I beg pardon; Mr. Castello said he had got no silver, and Mr. Hamond gave him 10*s.* on account.

2509. What passed then?—Mr. Hamond returned in the interim, and gave me a 6*l.* cheque payable to myself or bearer, and I handed it over to Mr. Castello.

2510. Have you any knowledge of the sum which the individuals so signing were paid?—Mr. Castello paid them. I did see some paid the following day, and we were deficient in amount 2*l.* 15*s.*, which Mr. Hamond gave me on the following day.

2511. Can you state generally the description of persons brought by Mr. Castello on that occasion?—That is a difficult task; some were shabby genteel, some were gentlemen,

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gentlemen, and some very shabby indeed; it is a difficult task to describe what they were.

2512. Were not they generally persons known about the Rotunda as dealers in 2 *d.* shares?—Yes, as writers or hunters for shares, I consider them to be; but they were all to me strangers.

2513. Have you any other knowledge on the subject?—No, I have no other knowledge. The deed was sent round for; and I went round myself with the deed, with a young man that came for it, and left it at the railway counting-house.

2514. *Chairman.*] When did you leave it there?—On the same afternoon, between three and four o'clock; we were not more than an hour and a half getting all these signatures; for they came in shoals.

2515. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was there any kick-up about their not being sufficiently paid?—No, that was not my department, I left Mr. Castello to arrange that.

2516. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Yours was not the kick-up department?—No.

2517. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you seen any of the parties since?—Yes.

2518. Are they to be met with?—There is one at the door now, Poulton; he is one of the persons who signed; he is one of the first persons that gave me his signature, and I have seen many of them since.

2519. Who paid you for taking round those petitions?—Mr. Hamond.

2520. Did the secretary ever pay you?—No, Mr. Hamond always paid me.

2521. A great number of petitions were got up at Greenwich?—Yes, on the second occasion, with respect to passing Greenwich-park by a tunnel; I returned 4,000; but there were 16,000 or 18,000 altogether, including my own.

2522. Is that all the knowledge you have of the transaction respecting the signatures on that day, that you have stated generally to the Committee?—I do not recollect at the moment anything else, but I will answer any other question.

2523. Did you know any of the other parties who signed the deed, except Castello, at Mr. Hamond's office?—There were no others signed through my interest, or that I had any connexion with.

2524. You did not know anything of any others?—No.

2525. *Chairman.*] What did you receive yourself for the part you took in this transaction with Mr. Hammond?—My money was included with Mr. Castello.

2526. What did you receive yourself?—Whatever surplus there was beyond what was paid to the others, was to be divided between me and Mr. Castello.

2527. What was your share?—We got about 1 *l.* a-piece.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

2528. Name how much was the whole of the money that was received; you say there was 6 *l.* and 2 *l.* 15 *s.*?—Yes.

2529. Was that the whole of the money received?—That was the whole of the money received, and 10 *s.* given to Castello.

2530. That would be 9 *l.* 6 *s.*?—£. 9. 5 *s.*

2531. So that out of the 9 *l.* 5 *s.*, you and Mr. Castello had 1 *l.* a-piece?—I had 1 *l.* and Mr. Castello 1 *l.*, or rather a few shillings more.

2532. Cannot you recollect how much you got out of the plunder?—There were many expenses to pay; Mr. Castello was rather free in treating the men with spirits; those were deductions from the sum total.

2533. Cannot you tell us the amount of surplus which came to your share?—23 *s.* or 24 *s.* or 25 *s.*

2534. Was this a usual and common thing for you to do?—I never saw a deed of the sort before in my life.

2535. Then you remember that it was an unusual transaction the better: and as it is not very long ago, tell us how much you did receive?—As near 25 *s.* as I can recollect.

2536. Did you partake with the choice spirits that Mr. Castello treated?—No, I was not there; I was at the counting-house.

2537. You had none of the spirits beyond your usual spirits, when you got the 1 *l.* 5 *s.*?—No, I do not confine myself to the 25 *s.*

2538. You had as much as you could get?—That is unquestionable.

2539. You say you did not know any of those parties who came to sign the deed?—Only by sight.

2540. You

2540. You call them persons haunting the Rotunda, as share-hunters?—It is a harsh term to call them; I only know them by that name; they are poor men, glad to earn a shilling when they can.

2541. You say share-hunters: do you know of those persons having signed deeds, or become subscribers for shares in any other undertaking?—No, I do not.

2542. What do you mean by calling them share-hunters?—They write for shares, and buy shares, and sell them again.

2543. Do you know of any one of those individuals having applied for shares to sell them again?—I know from their own conversation.

2544. How many of those persons have you conversed with, so as to become acquainted with that?—I have heard it in general conversation.

2545. Have you conversed with any of these individuals to obtain a knowledge that they were in the habit of dealing in shares?—I know it from general conversation.

2546. Have you had any conversation with them, so as to enable you to say from them they are in the habit of dealing in shares?—No, not direct from themselves.

2547. From whom did you receive any information as to those persons being share-hunters?—I have seen them on 'Change, selling and buying shares.

2548. Is that the only means of information you have upon the subject, that has induced you to say they were share-hunters?—Yes, I have no other.

2549. Seeing them buying and selling shares upon the market?—Yes, and writing for shares.

2550. Have you ever seen, in any one instance, any one of these persons writing for shares?—No.

2551. What do you mean by saying you have seen them writing?—I mean to say that they are persons that get money in some way by writing for shares.

2552. *Chairman.*] Have you ever seen any letters written by them?—No, never, never, never.

2553. Mr. *Thesiger.*] All you have seen that enables you to speak of your own knowledge, is, that you have seen these persons dealing in shares on the market?—Yes, that is all.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Hill.*

2554. I want to know whether you really did know any of these persons or not, I am quite unable to ascertain?—I know them by sight, but not intimately; I know Mr. Castello intimately.

2555. We are not talking of him, but of the others; do you know their names?—Yes, I know some of them by name, but very few; not more than four of them by name.

2556. Is that statement true you have just made to the Committee, that you knew some of them by name?—Yes.

2557. How came you to tell the Committee, in the beginning of your examination that they were strangers to you?—I meant not intimately; I knew some of them by name; I knew Poulton and Hirst by name, but I know many persons by name, who are strangers.

2558. According to your account, you knew them by name and by occupation?—Seeing them on 'Change.

2559. Do you mean to say you had never spoken to any of them before?—I have spoken to many of them in general conversation, at different houses that I use.

2560. Have you mixed with them?—Not entirely so; not at all so in point of fact.

2561. You have never had any conversation with these persons?—I do not believe I know one of them except by name.

2562. That is not an answer to the question. I have had some conversation with you, but I might not know your name, if I had not heard you called into the room. My question is, whether you had had intercourse with any of those persons before?—I must directly say, I had not; no direct intercourse.

2563. What indirect intercourse have you had?—I have had no business transactions with them.

2564. Are you a share-hunter?—No; I am an entire stranger on 'Change, in that line of business.

2565. You know three or four of those persons by name, and you know more of them by sight?—Yes.

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2566. What line may you be in?—I am an accountant.

2567. What do accountants do upon 'Change?—Our avocations call us wherever we think fit to go, when we have no business to do.

2568. Do you find it a very agreeable and retired place to balance difficult accounts, on 'Change?—No; I do not go there to balance accounts.

2569. What do you go there for?—Out of curiosity, whenever I think fit to go there.

2570. Your curiosity leads you there?—Yes, very often.

2571. The Stock Exchange?—No, the Royal Exchange.

2572. You have there seen these persons?—Yes.

2573. And learnt their names?—Four of them.

2574. How did you know their names?—By hearing them spoken to, and called by name.

2575. Though you had this knowledge of them by name, and knew them to be share-hunters, you had never any communication with them yourself?—No, none.

2576. Your business on 'Change was curiosity?—I had no business there.

2577. How often did curiosity throw you into the company of these gentlemen?—I cannot tell you; repeatedly; sometimes twice a week, sometimes once in a month.

2578. And your curiosity, which seems to be very strong, never led you to accost these persons?—I was not upon speaking terms, to the best of my recollection, with any one of them.

2579. You know all about them?—No, I do not.

2580. You know more than you have been able to prove; you know they were letter writers?—I have heard them stated to be so; and I have heard Mr. Poulton say so: he has written letters; he is the one I have known most among them.

2581. How long have you known Mr. Poulton?—Why, by sight, I suppose these eight or nine or ten months past.

2582. You know his name?—Yes.

2583. How long have you known his name?—Four or five months.

2584. Have you ever spoken to him?—Yes.

2585. Where?—At the New York and the Auction Mart Coffee-house.

2586. Did you speak to him upon your business as an accountant?—No.

2587. Only casually?—Yes.

2588. Twice you have spoken to Mr. Poulton?—More than half a score times.

2589. Anything more than passing the compliments of the day?—No, nothing more.

2590. That is all you know of him?—I know him more intimately than the others; I believe he was the only one I have ever spoken to.

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Mr. *W. V. Windsor.*

2591. WHAT are you?—A law stationer.

2592. Where do you live?—I carry on business in Chancery-lane.

2593. On your own account?—Yes; I do not sleep there.

2594. What part of the house have you?—I occupy the ground floor.

2595. Who occupies any other part of the house?—A barrister has chambers on the first floor, and a solicitor on the second floor.

2596. Are you acquainted with a person of the name of Austin?—I know him.

2597. How long have you known him?—A year or two.

2598. Has he been in your employment?—A very short time; he is not in my employment; he has a desk at my place.

2599. *Chairman.*] What do you mean by a desk in your place?—He had some connexion of his own, which he wished to keep together, if he could; and he asked me to let him sit at a desk in my place, and I gave him permission.

2600. Mr. *Parkes.*] What is he?—He calls himself a law stationer, I imagine.

2601. When did you see him last, as a law stationer?—About ten days ago.

2602. Had he been attending at your office before that time?—Not above a month

2603. How many days ago is it since you have seen him?—Last week.

2604. On what day?—About the middle of the week.

2605. Had you any communication with him?—None whatever.

2606. Was he in any solicitor's office, before he came to you?—Yes.

2607. Where?

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2607. Where?—Currie and Woodgate's, Lincoln's Inn.
2608. How long had he left that office?—I imagine about two months.
2609. Do you know where he is now?—I do not.
2610. Do you know where he lives?—I never did know where he lived.
2611. Do you know whether he is a shareholder in the Kent Railway Company?—I never heard.
2612. Do you know nothing about it?—No.
2613. Do you know nothing of his residence or means?—No.
2614. Or where we are likely to hear of him?—No.
2615. You have no information of him?—None whatever.
2616. *Chairman.*] Do you mean that he keeps law stationery in your office?—No; any gentlemen who chose, employ him.
2617. What you mean by a desk is, he engrosses deeds at a desk in your shop?—Yes.
2618. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any reason to believe he is gone to settle in the country?—I have no idea whatever.
2619. *Chairman.*] Do you know where to find him?—No.
2620. Are there any letters or work which has come for him in his absence?—No.
2621. If you wanted him, could you find him?—No, I could not.
2622. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who introduced him to you?—He spoke to me himself.
2623. What did you know of him before?—Only by being in a solicitor's office.
2624. Are you stationer to Currie and Woodgate?—Yes.

Mr. *Jacob Nunez Castello*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *J. N. Castello.*

2625. WHAT are you?—I am an agent in the share and stock market, for the last twenty-five years of my life.
2626. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—No; I am a commission agent.
2627. Do you deal outside in the alley, or the Rotunda?—I deal with brokers in the Stock Exchange, and many outside; I am known to many in the house.
2628. Are you a shareholder in the Kent Railway Company?—Yes.
2629. What amount?—Ten shares.
2630. In the Kent Railway Company?—Yes; I had ten shares originally: since then, I have signed the deed for a larger amount very likely.
2631. What amount have you very likely signed for?—I believe 10,000 *l.*
2632. On what occasion did you sign for that amount?—I was introduced to Mr. Hamond by a person of the name of Rowley.
2633. Were Mr. Rowley and you acquaintances?—Yes, I have known him some years.
2634. What communication took place between you and Mr. Rowley?—Mr. Rowley told me that some persons were wanted to sign a deed to come into Parliament.
2635. Did he say what number?—Some twenty or thirty persons.
2636. What took place afterwards?—He introduced me to Mr. Hamond the following day at his office.
2637. Do you know the date?—The 13th or 14th.
2638. Did you go with Mr. Rowley to Mr. Hamond's office?—Yes, I did.
2639. State to the Committee what passed at Mr. Hamond's office upon that occasion, who was present, and what was done?—Mr. Hamond was present; there was a quaker gentleman sitting in the office whom I did not know, a gentleman in the garb of a quaker, and another person; I afterwards heard him called Captain Garth or Mr. Garth. I believe Captain Garth was rather a nickname. I did not know the party. I arranged with Mr. Hamond that I should send a certain number of persons up to sign the deed. I had 5 *s.* a-piece for each of them, and 1 *l.* for my trouble.
2640. What took place in consequence of that arrangement?—In consequence of that arrangement I sent up several persons, and some of them sent up others; and, in the course of two hours, the thing was done.
2641. To what amount was it done?—I hardly know, perhaps 150,000 *l.*; I hardly know.
2642 Do you know whether it was done to the amount of 224,900 *l.*?—It might be,

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be: I did not keep the tallies of what they signed for: Mr. Rowley told them what to sign for.

2643. Should you know their signatures and your own?—I should know my own signature, but I do not know all the parties to the deed. [*The deed was shown to the Witness.*] That is my signature.

2644. Did they follow your signature?—Yes, they followed my signature, but I was not present; I merely sent them up. I saw two or three of the first persons sign; I saw Mr. Thick, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Rothschild and Mr. Hirst, and then I left the office. I was present when they signed. I was not in possession of the deed when they signed, but merely in the office.

2645. Who is Charles James Thick, who appears for the sum of 10,000 *l.*, gentleman?—He is a little jobber on the Exchange in shares.

2646. Who is Mr. Barnard, who represents 12,500 *l.*?—He is not at all connected with the share market: he is a poor man.

2647. Is he a Jew?—Yes.

2648. Who is Mr. Rothschild, who signs for 7,500 *l.*?—He is also a poor man.

2649. Did he go about the country some time ago, as one of the Bohemian brothers?—Yes, I believe he did.

2650. Is he a Jew?—Yes, he was one of the Bohemian brothers, I believe.

2651. Who is Joseph Hirst, 9,500 *l.*?—He was formerly a member of the Stock Exchange, and a very respectable man formerly.

2652. Is he not now in very distressed circumstances?—I believe he is.

2653. Who is Lewis Mendelson, 8,500 *l.*, King-street, Soho, Middlesex, merchant?—He is a Jew.

2654. Is he a merchant?—No, he is a poor man.

2655. Who is Richard Spencer, 9,500 *l.*?—He was clerk to a bubble cotton company, that was lately brought out.

2656. Who is he?—I do not know anything of him, except that he is clerk to Mr. Green and Mr. Poulton, who employed him.

2657. Who is Francis Newcomb?—He was formerly clerk at Grote's banking-house; he has left there from illness, and he has been a little jobber on 'Change since.

2658. Who is Richard Lee, 1, Bartholomew-lane, jobber, 5,500 *l.*?—He is a jobber; he is poor, but respectable.

2659. Who is Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, of Hounslow, gentleman, 2,500 *l.*?—I do not know him; I only know him, as a letter writer in shares for companies; he made his appearance three years ago.

2660. Who is Antonie Glazier, 52, Fenchurch-street, shoemaker, 6,500 *l.*?—He is a shoemaker, well known on the Stock Exchange: and I asked him to go up.

2661. Is he a master shoemaker?—In a little way.

2662. Has he a shop?—He is a first-rate shoemaker, but a man not very industrious.

2663. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] A cobbler?—No, he is a first-rate shoemaker, and well known on 'Change.

2664. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is Thomas Yeakell, 9, Pownall-terrace, Middlesex, surveyor and engineer, 9,500 *l.*?—Mr. Hirst introduced him.

2665. You know nothing of him?—No.

2666. Do you know whether he is a surveyor and engineer?—No.

2667. Have you seen him constantly among the share people?—No, I have seen him where I may have been to take a little refreshment.

2668. How did you pick him up?—Mr. Hirst brought him.

2669. Do you know William Hatchwell, 38, Wilson-street, Finsbury, Middlesex, gentleman, 12,500 *l.*?—Only as a coffee-house acquaintance.

2670. What sort of a man is he?—He is a stranger in our market.

2671. Thomas Thompson, 5, Scots-place, Islington, gentleman, 10,000 *l.*?—I have known him to be a man in very respectable circumstances: but I believe he has rather declined in his circumstances; he has been a jobber to a very large extent.

2672. Is he not a very poor man?—I should think he is not very rich; I should think he is rather poor.

2673. Who is Richard Nicholson, 24, Gibson-street, Middlesex, tobacco-merchant, 9,350 *l.*?—I do not know him.

2674. Who is Gorman Jessent, 55, Gloucester-street, Bloomsbury, Middlesex, gentleman,

gentleman, 5,500 *l.*?—I do not know him; I believe Mr. Hirst brought both those parties.

2675. Who is John Brown, 33, Gerrard-street, Soho, Middlesex, 9,500 *l.*?—I have known him for some time, dealing occasionally in shares.

2676. What is he?—Certainly not a rich man, I should think him a poor man too.

2677. Who is William Samuel Johnson, 30, Cowper-street, City-road, Middlesex, accountant and broker, 5,500 *l.*?—He is an accountant, and I believe he is very well known in the city, as a working man.

2678. How a working man?—He is employed not at full price, but a very clever man, as an accountant.

2679. Is he a man of any means?—No.

2680. Who is William Lumley, 158, Ratcliffe Highway, Middlesex, willow chair manufacturer, 4,500 *l.*?—I do not know him.

2681. Who is Moses Ansell, 74, Leman-street, Middlesex, merchant, 4,500 *l*?—He is the son of Mr. Hyam Ansell: his father is a watchmaker by trade.

2682. What is the young man?—He is with his father I believe.

2683. Is he ever about jobbing shares?—No, I do not know who brought him up.

2684. Who is Michael Jacobs, 9, Gloucester-street, Middlesex, gentleman, 9,500 *l.*?—I do not know him, he was brought by Mr. Herschell.

2685. Who is Aaron Nunez, 1, Jury-street, Middlesex, bootmaker, 5,500 *l.*?—He is a shoe and slipper-maker, and a very poor man.

2686. Who is William Townsend, 17, Cullum-street, London, agent, 8,500 *l.*?—He is a carpet agent and a merchant, and Joseph Hirst brought him.

2687. John Smyth, 13, Castle-street, Middlesex, gentleman, 9,500 *l.*, who is he?—I do not know him.

2688–9. Who is Soloman Bensiman, 2, Woburn-buildings, gentleman, 4,500 *l.*?—He is a son of Jacob Bensiman.

2690. Who is he?—He has been a merchant in a very extensive business; I believe he is out of business.

2691. Is he a poor man?—Yes, both of them.

2692. Who is Jacob of the same name?—The father of Solomon.

2693. Who is he of 8, King-street, Aldgate, grocer, 2,500 *l.*?—He has been a very extensive merchant, but is unfortunate.

2694. Is he a grocer?—Yes.

2695. *Chairman.*] In a large, or small way?—He is agent to the parties; he gave up his business for a small weekly or annual stipend.

2696. Do you know what it is?—No.

2697. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is Joseph Simeon Barzerbar, 3, Cumming-street, Wapping, Middlesex, gentleman, 3,500 *l.*?—He is a poor man, but has been very wealthy.

2698. Who is William Dorrington, Kennington, Surrey, agent, 2,500 *l.*?—He is a share-jobber and agent, and a very respectable man.

2699. Is he poor or rich?—Not very rich.

2700. Is he not very poor?—He carries a decent appearance; I do not know his circumstances.

2701. Who is William Wright, 28, Great Charles-street, Middlesex, gentle man, 800 *l.*?—I do not know him.

2702. Who is William Swannell, East-street, Old Kent-road, Kent, merchant, 750 *l.*?—I do not know him.

2703. Who is George Broad, Peckham, Surrey, gentleman, 500 *l.*?—He is a friend of Mr. Dorrington.

2704. Do you know any other parties who signed that deed?—Those are the only parties I was unfortunately connected with.

2705. Were you present, when the sums were fixed for each individual?—No; I did not know that the amount would be so great; I thought it would have been much smaller, but I had nothing to do with that part of the business.

2706. What took place between you and those parties, when you negociated with them to sign the deed of the Kent Railway?—I told them, if they would go and sign the deed, I was instructed to give them 5 *s.* a-piece. I gave them 4 *s.* at the time, and reserved 1 *s.* out of it myself; and I told them, when the Bill passed, they should have some shares; which was a further inducement to them to sign.

2707. Had you any authority for that?—I was told they should have some shares.

2708. Who told you?—Mr. Hamond.

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2709. It was never intended that they should have shares to the value represented in the deed?—I do not suppose it was.

2710. You contracted with them at that price to sign?—Yes, I did.

2711. When did you pay them, or from whom did you get the money to pay them?—I received from Mr. Rowley a cheque for 6 *l.*, and, on the following day, 2 *l.* 15 *s.*, and I had 10 *s.* from Mr. Hamond in the first instance.

2712. What did you pay them a-piece generally?—Four shillings a-piece.

2713. All of them?—Yes.

2714. The difference you kept as a procuration payment?—I told them I should keep it, for my trouble in the business. I received 1 *l.* from Mr. Hamond; I divided the whole I got with Mr. Rowley, and only had 25 *s.* for my trouble.

2715. Are you acquainted with this class of persons, as needy dealers in shares?—I am acquainted with some of them, not all.

2716. Are they individuals, to your knowledge, in the habit of writing for shares?—Yes, some of them.

2717. Have you ever bought letters of them?—Yes, I have, many times.

2718. By letters you mean allotments of shares?—Yes.

2719. Whose check was it you received?—Mr. Hamond's.

2720. Had you any intercourse with Mr. Hamond after this affair?—No; when I heard that there was some intention of making this thing a serious matter, I sent to Mr. Hamond, by Mr. Rowley, to acquaint him with what was going forward, and Mr. Rowley told me——

Mr. *Hill* objected to the evidence.

2721. Mr. *Parkes.*] What passed between you and Mr. Rowley?—That we had got into a scrape, and we must get out of it the best way we could; and, consequently, I thought it not necessary to see Mr. Hamond again upon the subject.

2722. Were the majority of those parties you procured, parties in the habit of hanging about the Exchange and Rotunda, what are called twopenny share-dealers?—You may call them so, if you please; they are little dealers, or share-hunters; that is the name they generally give them.

2723. Occasionally they get answers to letters from companies, and execute deeds, do they not?—I should think that class very seldom do execute deeds.

2724. Have you been a dealer frequently in shares, in scrip, in companies?—Sometimes to a large amount.

2725. You have been, at one time, in much better circumstances than you are now?—Yes, I have.

2726. Are bankers' receipts ever bought and sold, in exchange for scrip?—Yes, they are sometimes.

2727. These transactions frequently occur among this class of persons, taking the chance of the rise or fall of the market?—Those persons play a sure game; they sell the letters for what they can get; others do the same; and persons buy them, and make a profit or loss, as the case may be.

2728. Is that all your knowledge of the Kent Company, and that deed which you have detailed?—To the best of my belief it is. I saw Mr. Hamond but once on the business; and when the business took this unfortunate turn, I was very anxious on the business.

2729. Had you any communication, after the thing became public, with any of the secretaries, or any persons from the Kent Railway Company?—No; not with the persons at the company's office.

2730. With any persons from the company?—I have seen Mr. Charles Pearson once.

2731. That is Mr. Hamond's solicitor?—Yes.

2732. *Chairman.*] Do you know who the quaker gentleman was, that was present?—No.

2733. Was he present the whole time you were there?—I was present some part of the time he was present, but not afterwards.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

2734. Have you seen Mr. Parkes on the business?—Yes, some time ago. I was advised to apply to this Committee to give my evidence, to exonerate myself, that I had come into the business without any intention of doing any harm; and I wrote to Mr. Parkes, but I got no answer.

2735. Who gave you that advice?—Mr. Yates.

2736. He is the secretary of the South Eastern Railway?—No, he is quite unconnected with any railway company.

2737. You say you saw Mr. Parkes a week ago: have you seen him more than once?—I may have seen him twice.

2738. Have you seen him twice?—Yes.

2739. On the subject of the evidence you were to give to the Committee?—I wanted to send a petition, and to go to Mr. Warburton; and Mr. Parkes declined to have anything to do with it.

2740. Have you seen Mr. Warburton?—No, I have not.

2741. Not at all?—No.

2742. Is Mr. Yates, you have spoken of, connected with the Mr. Yates of the South Eastern Office?—No; Mr. Yates is of the Jewish connexion, and not connected at all with any railway.

2743. Or with Mr. Yates?—No; Mr. Yates is a private friend of mine; he gave me his advice privately; and when I told him Mr. Parkes had declined to do anything, he said, "Let it be as it is, it will come out in evidence, and it will show you meant to do what was right."

2744. You have dealt largely in shares?—Yes.

2745. In how many companies have you been engaged?—In no company.

2746. In how many projects?—In two out of three that have come out in the last two or three years.

2747. How many have come out in the course of the last two or three years?—More than a hundred.

2748. You have dealt in shares to a very large amount in each of them?—Not in all of them; I have bought and sold, as my interest suited.

2749. In two out of three of the hundred that came out?—I should think I have.

2750. Is it usual for the class of persons of which you appear to be one, to be upon the watch when companies come out, to write for shares?—I have written for shares myself, but not generally; I have found it better to buy letters.

2751. Is there a class of persons who watch for these projects coming out?—Yes, there is.

2752. Is it a considerable class?—Yes.

2753. Where do they generally ply?—They are not generally visible, they bring these letters to me and others, and sell them at the best price.

2754. Those underground parties, where do they come to you?—In the neighbourhood of the Stock Exchange.

2755. Are you well known as a person who deals in those shares?—Yes.

2756. Are there other persons as well known as yourself?—Yes.

2757. Who are upon the watch for these companies?—To get money lawfully.

2758. Have you anything to do with the South Eastern?—Yes, I have 50 shares in that company.

2759. What was the amount of these shares, 50*l.*?—I had an allotment of 50 shares, but only paid up five shares.

2760. Do you know whether many of those persons, of the class you have been alluding to, took shares also in the South Eastern?—I have not an opportunity of knowing: I only saw the deed once, when I signed it for five shares.

2761. You do not know whether those speculators in shares dealt in the shares of the South Eastern?—Yes, dealt in them certainly.

2762. Do you know that they dealt in them in the same way as in similar speculations?—Yes, any person who had money to buy them.

2763. Are not persons of this description upon the watch to seize an opportunity when there are any shares to be obtained, or when any subscriptions are wanted to go in; and put in their claims in that way?—O no! I did not say that. I said the shares were bought and sold by persons who had the means of buying five, ten, or 100, and selling them at a profit or loss, as it may be.

2764. Paying the deposit?—They may buy them with the deposit paid, or go and pay it.

2765. Are they not persons who, if called upon to pay the whole amount of the deposits, would be totally unable to do so?—Many of them.

2766. Could you pay 2,500*l.* if called upon?—Certainly not.

2767. Or 100*l.*?—May be not.

2768. You say you gave to these persons 4*s.* or 5*s.*?—Four shillings first, and one reserved.

2769. You

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2769. You do not know whether it was paid afterwards?—No, it was not done clandestinely; I said I had 5 *s.* for every person I could procure, and I told them I could give them 4 *s.*

2770. How many persons were there that received money from you?—I believe all the parties received the money from me, except that I paid to Mr. Hirst for three or four of his friends.

2771. You say that the whole of the persons received the money, except paying Mr. Hirst for his friends: just tell me what you gave to Mr. Hirst?—In the same ratio.

2772. How much did you give him altogether?—I cannot tell; I did not take any note, except in the paper I have I put paid to them; and by that means I know whether they were paid or not.

2773. It is only the 14th of last month?—Yes, but I cannot charge my memory to say which I paid; I suppose I paid 20 or 25 myself, and the remainder to other persons I knew, for them, as it might be.

2774. Just tell the Committee which are the persons that you paid yourself?—I could point out some that I paid; but there may be others: I may make a mistake in what I did pay.

2775. Point out those you did pay at the time?—Yes. I had no idea of this inquiry, at the time I paid them in the public room. I paid Thick, Barnard, Rothschild, and I paid Hirst for himself and several others.

2776. How much did you pay him?—I cannot say whether I paid him for four, five or six.

2777. Just recollect yourself?—Well, I paid him four.

2778. Is that because I pushed you, or because you recollect it?—I wish to speak exact facts. I believe I paid him four, or five, or six, I do not know which; I did it in a hurry, and I did not expect to be called upon to speak to it; and it is only by accident I have this paper.

2779. How much did you pay altogether?—£. 8. 5 *s.*: 2 *l.* 15 *s.* and 5 *l.* 10 *s.*; and reserved 1 *l.* for myself; that is to say, deducting 1 *s.* for myself; that is the money I received.

2780. You had 1 *l.* for yourself, and deducted 1 *s.* for each party who signed?—That was the agreement.

2781. You secured a purse to yourself: then took 1 *s.* from each party?—I received 1 *l.* and I had 5 *s.* for each party; I was to get the parties, and I gave them 4 *s.* each.

2782. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Have you executed many deeds for shares?—I never executed but this one in that way.

2783. Have you executed many deeds?—I have presented a receipt at the office, and got shares for that receipt, and of course that was value for my money.

2784. Have you executed many other deeds of other railway companies?—Several.

2785. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] You were an original applicant for thirty shares in this company?—I think I was an applicant for ten shares only.

2786. Your name is down here for thirty shares, a letter of application?—I applied for ten shares and had them. I exchanged fifteen Gravesend shares and five Dover, for ten shares in the Kent Railway.

2787. Can you say, whether out of these 33 persons who signed, there is any one who is worth 100 *l.* after paying all his debts?—I should not think there was.

2788. Mr. *Dugdale.*] Those persons who signed, do you think they were in the habit of signing deeds in this way?—Many of those persons were perfect strangers to me.

2789. Could those persons have possibly been ignorant that they placed themselves under a responsibility by signing?—I cannot say; I thought whatever responsibility I was placed under, that Mr. Hamond would be my guarantee for it: I dare say the other parties thought the same.

2790. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] You are not indemnified now?—No, I have told you the answer I received from Mr. Hamond.

2791. Do you know of any other similar transaction to this, of persons being called in to sign a deed?—Not of my own knowledge, I have heard it.

2792. Mr. *Dugdale.*] Do you think that Hirst was ignorant of his responsibility, when he signed?—He was not ignorant of his responsibility; but he relied upon the party that requested him to do it.

2793. Can

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2793. Can you name the parties he brought up to sign?—He brought up several persons, and it cannot be disguised that they came up for the sake of the 4*s.*

2794. You do not know the names?—Here are four or five whom I do not know.

2795. What are the names?—Here are Nicholson, Jessett and Townsend.

2796. Mr. *Rotch.*] What other railway deeds have you signed?—The South Western.

2797. What others, the South Eastern?—Yes, I did; I have got some shares there, unfortunately.

2798. Birmingham?—No.

2799. Greenwich?—No, not in the Greenwich.

2800. The Great Western?—No, they are rather too heavy for my purse; where there is 1 *l.* deposit, I have laid out a few pounds, and I have got a few pounds by it.

Mr. *Edmund Charles Holland*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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2801. WHAT are you?—An articled clerk to Messrs. Currie & Woodgate.

2802. Are you of age?—No.

2803. What is your age?—Nineteen last January.

2804. How long have you been there?—I have been articled two years, the 4th of next July.

2805. Are you one of the parties who executed the Kent deed?—Yes.

2806. Did you execute for 12,000 *l.*?—Yes.

2807. When?—It was within a week before the petition, which was presented the 17th. I think the 17th was on a Friday. I think I signed either on the Monday or Tuesday.

2808. Where did you execute it?—At the chambers, in Cornhill.

2809. At whose request did you execute it?—Mr. Woodgate's.

2810. Do you know whose shares you represented; were you asked to sign it as nominee of any party?—No.

2811. What passed between you and Mr. Woodgate upon the subject?—Mr. Woodgate asked me, whether I should like to have some shares in the railway; and I said "Yes; what shall I have to pay?" He said, "You will have nothing to pay yet; you will sign, and take them up, when you like, if the thing goes on."

2812. When was that?—The evening before I signed.

2813. Had you instructions from him to go to the office to sign?—I went with him, or I went to the office, and he met me there.

2814. Was there any deposit paid by you upon them?—No.

2815. Did you sign the deed, under a distinct understanding that it was not a representation by yourself?—We were to have the shares between us, and I was to take them up when I liked, provided the thing went on.

2816. That is to say, your half?—Whatever he chose to give me.

2817. Was any allusion made to a premium upon them?—If they got to a premium, we were to sell them; that was all that passed.

2818. You were to have half the net profit?—We were to share it between us.

2819. Is that all that passed?—Yes, at that time.

2820. Or since?—There has been nothing since.

2821. Are you his articled clerk?—No, Mr. Currie's.

2822. Who attested your signature? Who was present at the signature?—Mr. Woodgate and Mr. Smith. I will not be certain whether there was not another gentleman in the room, but I did not know his name.

2823. Where was it; in the counting-house below, or in the board-room?—Up stairs.

2824. In the board-room?—I do not think it was; I will not be certain.

2825. *Chairman.*] How many shares did you sign for?—£. 12,000.

2826. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know of any other parties in your office who have signed?—I did not at that time.

2827. What have you known since?—I have known that there are some other people there who have signed.

2828. Who are they?—Mr. Brome.

2829. Who is he?—A gentleman in our office; he has not been there very long.

2830. How long has he been there?—I think he came about the latter end of October last or November; at all events it was between September and December.

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2831. What is his department in your office?—He was doing nothing; and he merely came for something to do.

2832. What age is he, about?—I think he told me he was 24; no, not so much as that, he is between 22 and 23.

2833. Do you know where he came from?—I know he was at the Military College at Woolwich, and his father was in the artillery; he is living up by the Regent's-park, so he tells me; I know nothing of him.

2834. Do you know whether he lives in Albany-street?—That may be the street he lives in now; I do not know. He told me he was living up by the Regent's-park, but I do not know the name, or the number; I have never been to his lodgings.

2835. What other parties in your office have signed; first of all, what is Brome's christian name?—I believe he has two; I know one; one christian name is Frederick I know, but I do not know the other; I will not be certain that he has two.

2836. Has he a salary in your office?—Not that I know of; that I know nothing about.

2837. What other parties in your office have signed?—There is a person of the name of Austin; but, you must remember, this is only what I have heard since; I have never seen his signature; I only know this from report; I do not know any thing of it. When I signed, I did not know anybody had signed upon the same conditions as myself; I did not know till afterwards. I have never seen the signatures, and could not swear that they had signed; I only go by what I hear.

2838. Do you know from any of the parties in the office that they have signed —Yes, since; lately, that is.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the evidence.

Mr. *Rotch* was also heard in support of the objection.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in support of the admissibility of the evidence.

Mr. *Thesiger* withdrew the objection.

2839. Do you know from any of the parties in the office that they have signed the deed?—I do.

2840. From whom?—I heard it first from clerks in the office, and when I asked those people, they told me they had signed.

2841. Whom?—Mr. Austin informed me he had signed, and Mr. Neville.

2842. Any others?—No.

2843. Did they inform you they had signed on the same terms as yourself?—They did not tell me anything about it; I heard that they had signed, and I asked them, and they told me they had.

2844. Is Mr. Austin a clerk in the office?—He was.

2845. When did he leave?—He left some time in January, I should think.

2846. Last January?—Yes, some time in January.

2847. How lately have you seen him in London?—I saw Mr. Austin either yesterday or the day before.

2848. Where did you see him?—At Messrs. Currie & Woodgate's office.

2849. Do you know where he resides now?—I do not know his place of residence.

2850. Do you not know he has an office in Chancery-lane?—I know he is at the house of a stationer in Chancery-lane.

2851. Is Mr. Neville a clerk in your office?—Yes, he came when Mr. Austin left.

2852. Is he a drawing or copying clerk?—A copying clerk.

2853. Is he young or aged?—I do not know his age.

2854. According to the best of your judgment?—I think he is about 30.

2855. Do you know of any other parties in connexion with your office, who had signed?—No.

2856. Were you employed in getting up any of the assents?—I was; I was down at Canterbury.

2857. Should you know Mr. Brome's signature, Mr. Austin's, and Mr. Neville's, if you saw them?—I think it very likely.

[*The signatures of Mr. Austin and Mr. Neville were pointed out by Mr. Lancaster to the Witness.*]

2858. Is that Mr. Austin's signature?—I think it is.

2859. Is Mr. Neville's following it?—Yes.

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2860. Is that Mr. Neville's?—I do not think it is; it does not look like his writing. Mr. *E. C. Holland*

2861. Is it Mr. Brome's signature?—I think it is. 9 March 1837.

2862. Is that all your knowledge of the subscription list?—Yes.

2863. Do you know of any signatures being obtained to the deed at your office?—Not that I know.

2864. Or of it being taken there?—Not that I know of.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

2865. Do you know whether any of your connexions have been spoken to upon the subject of your signature to the deed?—Yes, they have.

2866. By whom; was it by Mr. Yates?—Mr. Yates, the secretary of the South Eastern Railway, informed Mr. Borradaile, that Edmund Charles Holland had signed. I knew Mr. Borradaile, and Mr. Borradaile knew me; they were talking it over, and he said, "Do you know that Edmund Charles Holland had signed the deed;" he said he did not; he said "I can assure you he has."

2867. Did he say anything about your not being of age?—I heard he said I was a minor: there was a statement on the other side; I heard it was said that Edmund Charles Holland was living with his mother in Sackville-street, and that he was a party signing the deed; that he was an articled clerk with Messrs. Currie and Woodgate, and a minor.

2868. Did you inform Mr. Woodgate, you were not of age?—He did not ask me.

2869. Did you inform him?—When do you mean?

2870. Did you say anything to him about it before you signed the deed?—No.

2871. With regard to Mr. Brome, you say that his father was in the artillery, a colonel in the artillery?—I have heard so.

2872. And his grandfather, a general in the service?—I have heard so.

2873. Do you know whether Mr. Brome had scrip in the Gravesend?—I do not know it; I have been told he had.

2874. Who were you told by?—Mr. Woodgate told me so the other day.

2875. You have looked at the signatures; you say you do not think it is Mr. Neville's; just look at it again. Do you know Mr. Neville's writing?—I have seen his writing in the office; it does not give me the appearance of his writing.

2876. You do not believe it is his handwriting?—No, I do not think it is; I will not be certain.

2877. Mr. *Forster.*] In answer to a question, you have said you were to have half the net profit of the shares; have you not said before, you were to have what Mr. Woodgate pleased to give you?—Mr. Parkes said that; I said I did not know what portion Mr. Woodgate was to give me: that if the shares came to a premium, they were to be sold, and he was to give me a portion of the profit.

2878. You were to have a portion?—Yes.

2879. *Chairman.*] But what portion was not arranged?—No.

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2880. WILL you inform me, where I am likely to meet with Mr. Austin?—I am called as a witness. Mr. *W. Woodgate.*

2881. Yes, without imputing to you any intention of keeping him away from the Committee, will you give me some information where he resides?—I do not know where he resides; but if you will send any communication to him, he shall have it.

2882. Through what channel can you communicate with him?—It must wait till he calls.

2883. Have you any appointment with him?—I have not.

2884. Did you see him yesterday?—I have not seen him for several days.

2885. Have you had any communication with him as to staying away?—He told me, that certain persons had been making inquiries of him, whether he had signed the Kent deed; I asked him if he had, and he said yes; I told him he had better not answer any more inquiries, but leave the thing to itself.

2886. Have you had any communication with him, as to staying away?—No, I may see him at any moment.

2887. Is there any place you can direct me to, where I can communicate with him?—None that I know of.

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2888. You know he has a seat at Mr. Windsor's?—He left us at Christmas to set up in business as a law stationer.

2889. You know he has a seat at Mr. Windsor's?—From what he has told me, and what Mr. Windsor has told me, I do.

2890. He told you no place of abode?—I never knew his place of abode; he was a remarkably steady clerk, and he told me he should set up in business as a law stationer.

2891. When you see him, will you tell him he is wanted under a summons?—I will.

Veneris, 10° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. A. Chapman.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Dugdale.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. G. Evans.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. John Young.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ. IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *William Woodgate*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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2892. IS Mr. Austin here?—Yes; he is not in the room.

2893. Did you meet with him yesterday?—I saw him last night.

2894. You told him to come here?—I did.

2895. What was your first connexion with the Kent Railway Company as solicitor?—My first connexion was being called upon to work the Gravesend Bill through Parliament for Mr. Vallance, who, at that time, was a very serious invalid.

2896. At what period was it?—Just before the Bill was read the second time in the last session of Parliament, before the Bill was thrown out.

2897. Had you had the sole conduct of that Bill during that session, except the reference to Mr. Vallance?—Yes; taking the directions of Mr. Vallance, for whom I was working.

2898. After the loss of that Bill on the second reading, what professional connexion had you with the project?—I was then working for the company, opposing in Committee, on behalf of the Gravesend and Dover Companies, the South Eastern Railway.

2899. After the termination of the Committee on the South Eastern Railway, and the passing the South Eastern Bill, what connexion did you assume in the Kent Railway Company, or in the Gravesend, previous to the consolidation?—My function ceased at that time; and we were afterwards appointed, unknown to us, as solicitors to the Kent, without any solicitation or communication being made to us.

2900. At what period was that?—I do not remember; I was not present.

2901. Do you mean, on the formation of the Kent Company by the consolidation of the other companies, you were appointed solicitors, without your knowledge or application?—Yes; without our knowledge or application.

2902. In what form did the application come?—Mr. Phillpotts told me he had appointed Messrs. Currie & Woodgate joint solicitors with Mr. Vallance, and I think Mr. M'Dougall.

2903. Was not Mr. Phillpotts one of the most active gentlemen in the formation of that company?—He was.

2904. What passed between you, on the subject of your acceptance of that appointment?—He asked me if I would accept that appointment; and as far as I recollect, I said I would, subject to some communication with Mr. Vallance; for we could not tread in his shoes without his consent, and at one time we declined to act all.

2905. What time was that?—I do not remember the time.

2906. About what period?—I am sure I cannot tell you that; very early in the spring of last year. I am not at all certain as to the time; I made no memorandum of it.

2907. I thought

2907. I thought you were referring to the arrangement made for the solicitorship, subsequent to the passing of the South Eastern Bill?—I cannot tell you when it took place; for I have no memoranda of any sort or kind: it was a mere conversation between myself and Mr. Phillpotts.

2908. In the spring of last year you were conducting the Gravesend Bill?—Yes.

2909. What period do you refer to, when the communication with Mr. Phillpotts as to the Kent took place?—When that appointment took place I do not know; I was not present.

2910. Was it in the summer or in the autumn, Mr. Phillpotts' communication?—I cannot say; but whenever the company was formed, that was the time.

2911. Did you commence your solicitorship in conjunction with Mr. Vallance of this consolidated line?—I commenced my solicitorship to do a certain portion of the work, which was, to get up the book of reference in the country from Ospringe to the coast.

2912. Did not your names appear upon the prospectuses and the printed advertisements, as joint solicitors with Mr. Vallance?—They did.

2913. What was your first knowledge of the subscription list or its state; what was the period of your first knowledge of who were the shareholders of the projected line?—I never knew who were the shareholders. The share list, or whatever it was, was formed by the Gravesend, before I had any connexion with it.

2914. You mean to say, partially formed?—Partially formed.

2915. When was your first communication with the board, or any person connected officially with the company, as to the state of the subscription list, and it being deficient?—I must explain, that it was arranged that I was not to attend the board of directors; it was to be Mr. Vallance's duty: and I knew nothing of the state of the subscription list.

[*The question was repeated.*]

A. I was never made acquainted with the deficiency, except by Mr. Smith, who called upon me, and told me that he understood that Mr. Walker's estimate would exceed the 2,000,000 *l.*

2916. When was that?—Monday the 13th, I think.

2917. Were you uninformed of the amount of the shareholders in a company to which you were solicitor, or of the character of the parties who had taken the shares?—Wholly.

2918. Have you ever seen any list?—Never.

2919. Have you ever made any inquiries respecting it of the board?—Never.

2920. What passed between you and Mr. Smith, when he called on the Monday, and where was the interview?—At Lincoln's Inn. Mr. Smith called, and told me he was getting the deed ready for Parliament, and wished the subscriptions made up; and asked me to subscribe for the shares which had been allotted to Mr. Currie and myself.

2921. Had you been an applicant for any number of shares, and what?—I applied on behalf of Mr. Currie and myself for 1,000 shares, 500 each.

2922. Had you any knowledge of, or anything to do with the application to Mr. Brome, for a large exchange of shares?—I know that the exchange took place; old scrip for new.

2923. Had you anything to do with the transaction?—I knew it; because Mr. Brome was a client of ours, and a friend of mine. I knew it, because I advised it.

2924. *Chairman.*] Advised what?—The exchange.

2925. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you advise him to exchange the scrip, instead of requiring a return of the deposit, without knowing the state of the share list?—I never knew the state of the share list.

2926. Did you know how many shares Mr. Brome held?—Seven hundred and five, I think.

2927. Do you know how he procured them?—Paid for them, and bought them in the market.

2928. At what period?—I cannot tell you the periods; but from time to time.

2929. Were you connected at all with that purchase?—It was merely in that way I advised it.

2930. In what way?—At that time the Gravesend shares were selling in the market

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market for scarcely anything; and from a communication which Mr. Phillpotts had made to me, they were selling for a great deal less money than the company could have returned, had they abandoned the project; and therefore it was the purchase was made.

2931. Do you know how Mr. Brome made the purchase?—I originally made the purchases.

2932. When did you make them, and through what broker?—I cannot tell the time; they were made through Mr. Smith, the secretary.

2933. Were they purchased by your direction?—They were.

2934. Were they purchased at different periods, and for different prices?—They were.

2935. Do you know at all the amount of the purchase-money?—No.

2936. You have no means of learning?—Yes, I could ascertain at home.

2937. Who paid for them?—I did in the first instance.

2938. Who to?—To Mr. Smith.

2939. Was the speculation your own exclusively?—It was begun by me exclusively.

2940. How did it proceed, for you personally, or in connexion with any other person?—By myself personally.

2941. From first to last?—Yes, until Mr. Brome took the shares.

2942. When did Mr. Brome take the shares?—Not very long since; I do not recollect the day.

2943. How long since?—Five or six days; I do not recollect the precise day.

2944. *Chairman.*] Five or six days ago?—Yes.

2945 Mr. *Parkes.*] Under what arrangement or circumstances did he take them?—I asked him if he would like to take those shares.

2946. Since the presentation of the petition?—Yes.

2947. What did he give you for them?—He was to take them at the market price of the day.

2948. Do you mean at the purchase-money you paid for them?—At the market price of the day.

2949. The day of the transfer?—Yes.

2950. Were you cognizant of any letters, directed by him some weeks or months since, to the board or to the secretary to exchange Kent scrip for the Gravesend scrip, in a letter dated "Albany-street"?—Yes.

2951. Was the letter written by your directions?—I dare say it was.

2952. Was an answer sent to your office?—I do not recollect ever receiving any answer.

2953. The last paragraph of the letter, directing that the answer and the exchanged scrip should be sent under cover to you personally?—I do not recollect ever having received any answer.

2954. Did you effect an exchange of scrip?—He did.

2955. Did you?—Yes, it was exchanged.

2956. Was it exchanged by you at the office?—No.

2957. Who by?—Mr. Brome.

2958. Was the exchanged scrip handed to you?—Yes.

2959. What number of shares did you obtain by that exchange?—It was 705.

2960. You had had more scrip in the Gravesend than the 705?—There were two for one.

[*The letter alluded to was produced by Mr. Lancaster.*]

2961. After you became solicitor, had you taken out your scrip for the 500 shares you applied for?—No.

2962. Or paid anything upon them?—No.

2963. To your knowledge, were the other 500 shares taken out?—No.

2964. What number of shares, if any, did you consider, previous to the signature of that deed, that you represented personally, or by any other person for you, in this company?—Seven hundred and five.

2965. In respect of the exchanges?—Yes.

2966. And no more?—No more.

2967. What passed between you and Mr. Smith on the morning of Monday?—That he was making up his deed to deposit in Parliament, and wished me to subscribe for the shares that had been allotted to Mr. Currie and myself.

2968. What did he state to you as the estimate, or had you any knowledge, previous

previous to that time, what the estimate would probably be?—No, I did not know it, till the Wednesday.

2969. Had you ever had any communication with Mr. James Walker?—No, I think not.

2969*. He is co-engineer (there were two, I think,) with Mr. Burgess?—I may have seen him upon it, but I do not remember.

2970. What did Mr. Smith state to you, on the subject of the estimate?—That he understood that the estimate would exceed 2,000,000 *l.*; but how much he did not say.

2971. Did he state to you what number of shares he required, in order to deposit the deed within the Standing Orders?—No; that was all that passed between us.

2972. Did he bring the deed on that occasion?—No.

2973. What was understood between you and Mr. Smith, as to the signature of the deed by any person?—That I would send, and have the shares subscribed for.

2974. *Chairman.*] What shares?—The 500 allotted shares.

2975. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you call or send any parties to execute it?—I did.

2976. Whom did you send?—I sent Mr. Austin to sign for my 500, and Mr. Neville for Mr. Currie's 500.

2977. What day was it you sent them down?—I think the same Monday.

2978. Was Mr. Austin in your office at that time?—Yes, he was in our office.

2979. Who is he?—He has been in our service, as a clerk, for some three years, as near as I can remember.

2980. Is he above age?—Yes.

2981. Who is Mr. Neville?—A clerk in our office also.

2982. Did you tell them what sums to sign for?—To sign for Mr. Currie's 500 shares, and my 500.

2983. Did you go with them to the office?—I did not.

2984. Was there any arrangement made, between you and Mr. Austin and Mr. Neville, with respect to any terms on which they should sign?—No, none.

2985. *Chairman.*] Did you give Mr. Austin any indemnity, in case of his incurring any responsibility in consequence of signing?—No, I have given him nothing.

2986. Did Mr. Neville receive any indemnity for any responsibility he might incur in consequence of signing?—No.

2987. Mr. *Parkes.*] What other parties, to your knowledge, or by your direction, have signed the deed?—Mr. Clark.

2988. Who is he?—He is a clerk in our office; he signed for 50 shares which Mr. Currie had, and 25 which were Dr. Chafy's, who is a friend of mine; he exchanged them for the shares in the Kent, and signed the deed for him.

2989. Who is Mr. Clark in your office?—He is our managing outside office clerk.

2990. What other person signed in that way?—A Mr. Inall.

2991. Who is he?—Also a clerk in my office.

2992. What did he sign for?—Some shares belonging to a friend of mine were sent to be exchanged into the Kent, and I sent him to exchange them.

2993. What friend was it?—Mr. Bell.

2994. Who is Mr. Bell?—A friend of mine; a gentleman.

2995. Where does he live?—In Cumberland-street.

2996. What is he by trade or profession?—A stock-broker.

2997. What number were exchanged?—Two hundred.

2998. What other parties signed, to your knowledge, or by your direction?—I do not remember any more.

2999. Mr. Holland?—I had forgotten him.

3000. What passed between you and Mr. Holland?—I was going into the city; and Mr. Holland came into my room, and as he had taken a very active part in helping me down at Canterbury, I said to him, "Should you like to have any shares in the Kent?" He said, "Yes." I then said, "You must go and sign the deed."

3001. Did anything pass between you and him, upon the subject of the shares being sold at a premium, if they came to a premium, or sharing in the profit?—

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As far as I remember, I said, "I will share the risk with you;" that was the very word I used, I think.

3002. Was he a minor to your knowledge?—I did not know he was a minor.

3003. Do you know now?—Yes; because I heard him say so yesterday.

3004. *Chairman.*] Did you give him any indemnity?—No.

3005. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you recollect any other parties who signed under the same circumstances?—No.

3006. Do you know of any other persons you recommended to buy up the Gravesend scrip, to exchange?—Yes; Mr. Blake.

3007. Who is he?—A neighbour of mine; living in Cumberland-terrace.

3008. What is he?—A proctor.

3009. Do you know the number he bought up?—No.

3010. Or the circumstances connected with it?—No.

3011. Or whether he has signed?—Yes, he has signed; he told me so.

3012. What other parties have purchased any shares, to your knowledge, for that purpose?—I do not know of any others.

3013. Were you at the office on the Monday?—I think I was; I am not sure I was there.

3014. Were you there on the Tuesday?—Yes; on the Tuesday I was there, just as the board was breaking up.

3015. *Chairman.*] About two o'clock?—About half-past two.

3016. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you in the board-room when the board was sitting?—They were just getting up.

3017. Was the business over?—Yes.

3018. Had you any knowledge then what Mr. James Walker's estimate was, or would be?—All I knew was that it would exceed two millions.

3019. Did you know it would be three millions?—No; I did not know it till the Wednesday morning.

3020. Who deposited the documents in the Private Bill Office?—I deposited them for Mr. M'Dougall, he being at Brighton confined by the snow.

3021. Were the whole of them deposited by you, including the list of shareholders?—Yes.

3022. I think you are mistaking the time; who made the deposit at the Private Bill Office before the presentation of the petition?—I did not deposit them. I was thinking of the plan and section, and book of reference.

3023. Had you any conversation with the directors on the Tuesday, upon the insufficiency of the subscription?—No; I went into the room, as the board was breaking up.

3024. Had you any conversation on the Wednesday with the directors, upon the insufficiency of the subscription list, or upon the estimate?—On the Wednesday I received the estimate from Mr. Walker's office.

3025. Was it sent to you?—I think it came enclosed in a letter.

3026. Have you got that letter?—No; I have not.

3027. What became of it?—I do not know; I think it was nothing more than a cover, with Mr. Borthwick's compliments.

3028. Is he the second engineer?—No; he is in Mr. Walker's office.

3029. What did you do with it, when you received it?—I think I gave it to Mr. M'Dougall.

3030. What was the estimate?—Three millions.

3031. What did you do with the estimate afterwards?—I think I gave it to Mr. M'Dougall, to be deposited.

3032. Where?—I think at his office, where I received it.

3033. Had you any communication with the directors, or the secretary, upon the subject of the estimate?—It was in the board-room the estimate was discussed.

3034. What day?—On that Wednesday.

3035. What took place in respect of that discussion?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to evidence being received of what passed between the solicitor and his client, it being a breach of one of the first principles of evidence.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in support of the line of examination.

Mr. *Hill* was heard in support of the objection.

The Committee-room was cleared.

After

After some time the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed by the Chairman, that the Committee were of opinion, that so far as any communications made to Mr. Woodgate in his professional capacity went, if he made an objection, he could not be pressed to give his answers.

3036. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you released from any privilege, in regard to stating to this Committee any matters professionally that have taken place between you as solicitor of the company and the directors?—I have never spoken to them upon the subject.

3037. What is Mr. Clark's christian name?—William.

3038. Do you know James Clark?—No.

3039. When was your first knowledge of the gross amount of the subscription list?—I never knew the gross amount of the subscription list.

3040. Do you know who made the deposit in the Private Bill Office?—Of what?

3041. The documents necessary previous to the petition, in compliance with the Standing Order?—I believe Mr. M'Dougall; I do not know.

3042. Was it you or Mr. Vallance who undertook to correct them?—Mr. M'Dougall is the parliamentary solicitor, and not the parliamentary agent; my duty was to work the line from Ospringe to the coast, and Mr. M'Dougall's to carry it through Parliament.

3043. You had nothing to do with the preparation of the petition for the Bill, or the lodgment of the papers that preceded its presentation?—No, I had not.

3044. *Chairman.*] Do you mean to say you had no information whatever from Mr. Walker, or Mr. Walker's office, previous to Monday the 13th, directly or indirectly, that the estimated cost would exceed two millions; you have told us already Mr. Smith informed you on Monday the 13th, in Lincoln's-inn, the cost would exceed two millions; the question is, whether previous to that you had any information, directly or indirectly, from Mr. Walker's office, that the estimate would exceed two millions?—I do not remember that I had.

3045. Do you undertake to say, you do not know whether you had or had not received any information before the 13th, that the estimate would exceed the two millions?—To the best of my recollection, I did not know it would exceed the two millions, before that Monday.

3046. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you know the amount of the subscription list, before that period?—I never knew it.

3047. You knew nothing whatever of the progress of the list towards the competent amount of subscription?—Nothing whatever.

3048. Notwithstanding the heavy responsibility and risk you were about to take, you never informed yourself of such particulars, notwithstanding the heavy purchase of shares for the purpose of exchange, and the purchase of 500 shares for yourself; you never informed yourself of the subscription list?—I never did.

3049. I presume you were aware of the Standing Orders last year?—I have read them.

3050. Do you not know that it is a Standing Order of the House, in relation to other Bills, and a new Standing Order as to the railway companies, that the real names and places of abode of the subscribers ought to be signed?—Yes.

3051. Had you not a knowledge, there was that particular order passed in relation to railways?—I know there was such an order.

3052. Do you know whether either of your two co-solicitors are shareholders under the same circumstances as yourself?—I do not know.

3053. Have you never derived any knowledge upon the subject?—I have never asked them.

3054. Have they ever told you?—No.

3055. Do you know any party who signed the deed as a nominee of other persons, who are the real subscribers?—No, I do not.

3056. You had no knowledge of any single subscriber or shareholder, who has executed the deed through a nominee?—No, and I know nothing of the subscription list, as I said before.

3057. Did you know what amount the directors took, and what respective interest they took?—Do you mean the amount they have signed for?

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3058. Did you know what amount of shares the directors individually took in the first instance?—No.

3059. Were any deposits paid, to your knowledge, in respect of any shares signed for in your office?—No deposits paid.

3060. Can you recollect the general or mean price of the Gravesend scrip, purchased for the purpose of exchange?—It was all prices.

3061. State to the Committee any prices?—Ten shillings.

3062. How much below?—I do not know anything below that; I have heard 7 *s.* 6 *d.*

3063. Were all yours purchased at 10 *s.*, as the minimum?—Yes, I think they were.

3064. Who is Mr. Brome; what is his department in your office?—He is not in my office.

3065. It was stated by Mr. Holland he was?—That is a mistake.

3066. Does he come there to inform himself on business?—He does not; Mr. Brome is a client of mine, and was introduced to me, as a client, some time ago; he was an idle man, and I asked him whether, as he was perfectly idle and wished for something to do, he would go down to Kent and assist me in the canvass. He came to me as a friend.

3067. What is his residence?—Albany-street.

3068. Is he a householder?—No.

3069. Does he live with his father?—His father is dead; he did live with him.

3070. *Chairman.*] By canvassing you mean obtaining assents?—Yes.

3071. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you to have had the conduct of the Bill, if it had gone into Committee?—No, Mr. M'Dougall.

3072. Were you to have assisted?—No, not unless specially summoned.

3073. Have you had much communication with Mr. Phillpotts, from the period you commenced the solicitorship to the present time?—I have seen him very frequently.

3074. Was not he considered the leading gentleman in the concern?—Yes.

3075. As incurring the greatest responsibility, and the chairman?—I do not know about responsibility; he was the most active and intelligent of the gentlemen.

3076. Who were the other leading directors?—Captain Page, Colonel Skerrett, Mr. Borradaile and Mr. Ronald.

3077. And Mr. Brothers?—I have seen him there.

3078. Have you any personal knowledge of him?—No; every individual in the direction, except Mr. Borradaile and Mr. Perkins, were utter strangers to me; I knew Mr. Borradaile just to bow to him, and Mr. Perkins.

3079. Had you any communication with Sir Andrew Leith Hay?—I had no knowledge of him, except seeing him pass the door, till I saw him here.

3080. You cannot tell which of the directors did not take a particularly active part in the direction?—I can tell you the names of those I have not often seen at the board; I do not know Mr. Fleetwood; Mr. Alger I have seen once or twice at the board, and all the rest I have seen.

3081. How many board meetings may you have attended?—I am sure I cannot tell you.

3082. A general estimate of the number?—I cannot tell you.

3083. Have you attended every week when you were in town?—Sometimes I have and sometimes I have not.

3084. Had you any communications with Mr. Green upon the subject of the subscription list, in the week in which the deposit was made in the Private Bill Office?—I do not remember anything particular; Mr. Green may have told me something; but I do not recollect anything particular to have occurred.

3085. Did Mr. Smith state to you, at the interview in your office on the Monday, it was necessary to get a considerable addition to the deed?—I think he said he should have to get names to the deed.

3086. Did he lead you to believe that it was considerable?—Not at that time.

3087. When did you first know it?—I think it was on the Wednesday, when we had the estimate.

3088. Was the list deficient in amount on the Wednesday?—I do not know; I did not attend to it in any shape.

3089. What

3089. What passed between you and Mr. Smith?

Mr. *Thesiger*, on the part of the directors, I give you leave to ask about anything on the Wednesday.

3090. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any knowledge of the increase of subscriptions and signatures on the Wednesday?—No, I have no knowledge of it, except what I have heard.

3091. Do you know the day the deposit was made in the Private Bill Office?—I think Thursday, if Friday was the last day.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

3092. You have been asked whether you opposed the South Eastern Railway, and you answered you did, for the Gravesend and Dover lines?—I did.

3093. Was Mr. Parkes the agent for the South Eastern Railway?—Yes, and signed the subscription contract for 7,500*l.* in that undertaking, in two places, making it 7,500*l.* I have a copy of it here.

3094. What induced you to apply for shares in the Kent Railway?—In consequence of my connexion with the Gravesend and Dover Company, and being employed to oppose the South Eastern in Committee, and being a Kentish man, I became intimately acquainted with the merits and demerits of the two lines; and being satisfied, if any railway project could pay, the Kent Railway, taking almost the whole of the populous towns in the county of Kent, including the Government works, and the towns, and the two ports of Ramsgate and Dover, must be that railway; and knowing Mr. Walker was to be the engineer, I was induced to become a subscriber

3095. Now, although you were not personally acquainted with the directors of the company, you knew from report they were gentlemen of respectability and character?—From report I believe them to be so, and I found them so as far as my observation leads me.

3096. You know the county of Kent?—Yes; I am a native of Tonbridge.

3097. You know the South Eastern line?—Yes, right well.

3098. You are a freeholder of the county?—I am an owner of land within two or three miles of the line.

3099. Your family is one of the oldest in the county of Kent?—Yes, I believe one of the oldest; they lived at Summer Hill.

3100. From what you know of the South Eastern line, is it at all likely to be carried into effect, with any advantage to the speculators?—I should say none whatever; there is not the chance of a return of sixpence.

3101. Why was it you requested Mr. Austin or Mr. Neville, (I do not know which it is,) to sign for your shares, and did not sign the deed yourself?—Because, as solicitor to the company, I thought my name should not appear in the subscription list.

3102. Did you advert at all to the effect of the subscription deed?—I did most particularly; and I took as my guide the South Eastern Railway Act of last year, and from the sections 113 and 115, according to my reading, I satisfied myself, that the deed, as soon as the Act was obtained, became mere waste parchment; and for this reason. The 113th section enacts, in order to compel the payment of subscriptions, that the parties who are to pay, are the subscribers, or those who shall hereafter subscribe, or the registered holders of the several shares for the time being, after the alienation of such shares by the subscribers.

3103. You attended the board from time to time?—Yes.

3104. Did the directors pay attention to the business; were they directing their attention entirely to the business of the company?—Entirely.

3105. Did they appear to you to be acting *bonâ fide*, for the purpose of carrying on the undertaking?—I should say most *bonâ fide* and most anxiously.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

3106. You were at one time co-solicitor with Messrs. Clutton & Fearon for the projected Brighton line from the South Eastern, now before Parliament?—I was.

3107. You are not now?—No.

3108. You retired from that some time in the autumn?—I do not remember when it was.

3109. Last autumn, soon after you became solicitor to the Kent, you retired from the South Eastern?—I have retired from it; I do not recollect the time when.

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when. Mr. Parkes asked me, with reference to the subscription, whether anybody else at our office had signed, I said no, which is the fact; but I remember there is a Mr. —, I forget his name, who has signed the deed, but I do not know him, Mr. Chapman, I think it is. You asked me if I knew anybody else who had signed thedeed, not paying the deposit.

3110. Who is Mr. Chapman?—I do not know who he is.

3111. What knowledge have you of him?—Nothing at all.

3112. How do you know he has executed the deed without paying any deposit?—Because I asked a person if he knew anybody who would like to become a subscriber, and he said, "Yes, Mr. Chapman." I do not know him; but I see a Mr. Chapman has signed the deed.

3113. Is it Chaplin or Chapman?—I think Chapman.

3114. State to the Committee what information you have about that Mr. Chapman having signed the deed?—Mr. Clark asked Mr. Chapman to sign the deed.

3115. Mr. Clark, your clerk?—Yes; he asked him to become a subscriber.

3116. Is that William John Chapman, of Seymour-place, Euston-square, gent., 6,000 *l.*?—I do not know the christian name.

3117. Do you know who he is?—No; I know nothing about him whatever.

3118. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Just be good enough to turn to the deed, where there is the signature of Mr. Neville or your clerk?—I have seen.

3119. Is that his handwriting?—Yes, it is, beyond all doubt.

3120. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Is it your opinion, that the subscribers to the parliamentary contract are not bound to fulfil the contract, if they transfer their shares to other parties, as soon as the Act is obtained?—So I read the Act; and that is the only Act on which I was engaged.

3121. Suppose you subscribe for 1,000 shares, and get a person of no substance to sign the parliamentary contract: you conceive that you are entitled to take those shares back, as soon as the Act has passed?—To take the shares, paying the deposit.

3122. Mr. *Dugdale.*] And you have a right to do so?—Yes, I have a right to demand them.

3123. You are of opinion that an Act drawn up as the South Eastern is drawn up, annuls the deed of settlement?—As I read the Act, I am satisfied in my mind that the moment that Act was obtained, the South Eastern Contract was a piece of waste parchment.

3124. That the Act annuls the deed?—Yes.

3125. Mr. *Brotherton.*] And that the subscription contract is no security to the public?—I consider it to be no security whatever to the public.

3126. *Chairman.*] It is your opinion, that after an alienation by the subscribers, the subscribers would be released from all responsibility?—The holder of the share for the time being is the party to pay.

3127. Suppose you were a large shareholder, and the work begun, and the shares fell to a great discount, and you can find a man of straw to transfer the shares to: you, the man of substance, may release yourself from all responsibility, and transfer that responsibility, by alienation, to the man of straw?—If anybody would buy the shares in the market.

3128. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] You said Mr. Neville and Mr. Austin were to sign for yours?—Yes.

3129. They signed their names?—Yes.

3130. Who is responsible for those shares; you or they?—In what way?

3131. In the way you have described?—They were the persons who could demand them.

3132. You had nothing further to do with them?—Not legally.

3133. I am speaking legally?—Not legally.

3134. *Chairman.*] Is it not the ordinary understanding that all parties should pay a deposit in respect of such signatures, so that they may, *pro ratâ*, take a share in the expense of the undertaking?—I consider it a mere matter of arrangement on the part of the directors.

3135. In the most respectable railway companies, what do you believe to be the custom in that respect?—I should think, if the contracts are analyzed, even in the most respectable, that there are shares that have been subscribed for without being paid for, in order to complete the list.

3136. In the most respectable, what do you consider to be the most prevalent

prevalent practice?—Deposits to a certain extent to secure the directors from risk. Mr. *W. Woodgate.*

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3137. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Do you think it would be just for the directors to saddle two-thirds of the parties with the expense, and release the rest?—They would not do it. Those who subscribe, do not take up shares; they could not take up the shares, without paying the deposit.

3138. Mr. *Parkes.*] Suppose the Bill is thrown out?—If the Bill is thrown out, and the project abandoned, after deducting the expenses, the money would be divided among those who had subscribed.

3139. *Chairman.*] Suppose, instead of a surplus, there should be a deficiency?—It falls upon the directors; it is merely for the protection of the directors.

Mr. *Robert Lancaster*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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3140. ARE you the accountant to the Kent Railway Company?—Yes.

3141. How long have you been accountant to that company?—Ever since I was appointed in the month of November 1835. I was with the original Gravesend Company from the first.

3142. In what character were you in the Gravesend Company?—I was accountant to that company since 1835.

3143. And you passed over with that company to the consolidated company, and remained with the Kent as the accountant?—Yes.

3144. Have you the immediate management of the deposit-money, payments, and giving scrip for those deposits?—I have nothing to do with those deposits; they are generally paid by the secretary to the bankers, unless, as in this last case, being alone, I received the deposits.

3145. *Chairman.*] What do you mean by being alone?—I was alone in the office.

3146. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you anything to do with the issuing the scrip?—Decidedly.

3147. Did you give out the scrip to the parties who subscribed?—I did.

3148. What was the amount of your subscription deed, to your knowledge, (if you have any knowledge,) previous to the week in which the list was deposited, Monday being the 13th of February?—It was something more than a million; I think a million and 195,000*l.*

3149. What was your first knowledge, in the week in which the documents were deposited in the Private Bill Office, commencing Monday the 13th of February, that your estimate would exceed the two millions, and that the subscription contract must be increased in signatures and amount?—I heard of it on the Monday from Mr. Smith.

3150. What passed between you and Mr. Smith on that occasion?—Simply I said, then we shall be deficient in our quantity of subscriptions. I believe that is the only remark I made.

3151. Did you consult together, with respect to increasing the list?—No, there was no consultation with the secretaries.

3152. Did you in the course of that week obtain any signatures to the deed?—Yes; I obtained two.

3153. Show me the names, and show me the deed?—One of them is Mr. Clarke, a gentleman in your own profession, and the other a Mr. Houston, a medical friend of mine.

3154. What was the amount of the subscription?—The solicitor, Mr. Clarke, was 5,000*l.*, and Mr. Houston, 2,250*l.*

3155. What number of shares did the 5,000*l.* represent?—That is 100 shares, and 2,250*l.* is 45 shares.

3156. You state that Mr. Houston is a medical friend of yours?—Yes.

3157. Does he not keep a small chemist's shop?—I was never in his shop; I have always heard he was very respectable, and I believe there is nothing against his character or any of his family, that I ever heard.

3158. If he is a medical friend of yours, do you not know he keeps a little chemist's shop at Brixton?—I do not; I have never been there.

3159. To what extent was your intimacy with him?—Not very long standing.

3160. How long?—Six or eight months, I do not know that it is so long.

3161. How came he to sign the deed; did you apply to him?—I met him by chance.

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3162. Where?—In the Borough-road, they call it, I believe.

3163. At what time was it?—I cannot tell, it was after the Monday.

3164. What passed between you?—I told him our situation; he said I have no objection to sign the deed for you, and I will come down to-morrow morning.

3165. Did you tell him you wanted signatures to the deed?—It might be to that effect.

3166. Did you fix the amount he was to subscribe?—No; he pleased himself

3167. Do you know anything of his pecuniary responsibility, or his circumstances?—I never ask people their circumstances.

3168. Do you know anything of his pecuniary responsibility, or his circumstances?—I do not.

3169. Where does the professional gentleman live, Mr. Clarke?—No. 8, Canonbury; at least, that is where he signed himself.

3170. Where did he sign?—He signed at the office.

3171. How came he to sign?—He had to call upon me on business; the deed was lying there, and I said will you sign, and you will be entitled to shares, if you please.

3172. What passed upon the number of shares he was to represent?—He pleased himself.

3173. You did not indicate the sum?—No.

3174. What day was it?—It was subsequent to the Monday; I think it must have been on the Tuesday.

3175. Point out to me their signatures?—[*The Witness pointed them out on the deed.*]

3176. Did you witness the intermediate signatures?—No; those with C. S. I did not: but in the hurry to perfect the deed, on the morning of the deposit, I signed the names just one after the other, and that is the deed I signed.

3177. *Chairman.*] What signatures are they?

Mr. *Parkes.*] Your signature, R. L., is against every name between John Turner Houston and Thomas Clarke, being 11 names?

Yes; I did all, one after the other, without looking at the names; because that deed is generally witnessed by me.

3178. What do you know as to the signatures of the eleven parties, between the two names of Mr. Clarke and Mr. Houston; and detail to the Committee all the circumstances you know respecting their respective signatures; begin at the first, immediately after Clarke?—John Henry Anderson; I know nothing of him.

3179. Are your initials to it?—They are.

3180. Are there any other initials?—C. S.

3181. Now, go through every name, and state the initials?—William Chaplin, Sudbourne, Suffolk, gentleman; him I do know.

3182. Whose initials are against it?—My own.

3183. Did you see him sign?—I did; but I exchanged shares for him.

3184. You do not mean to say, that the two signatures of Mr. Clarke and Mr. Houston were the only signatures you attested, after your knowledge of the probable increase of the estimate?—The question to me was, what I procured. I attested many.

3185. Who is Mr. Chaplin?—A gentleman of very considerable fortune. He was a farmer, at Sudbourne; he now lets the property to the Marquis of Hertford, for which the Marquis pays him 150 *l.* a year; he has retired. I do not know where he is living; he has retired from a farm of 1,000 acres. I am well acquainted with the county of Suffolk, and that part of it.

3186. What has he signed for?—£. 20,000.

3187. State the circumstances under which he signed?—He exchanged 100 shares of the Gravesend; the remaining part, I suppose, he purchased himself. I had nothing to do with that.

3188. Did he bring the shares to your office on that day?—Yes, he did.

3189. What was the day; was it Monday or Tuesday?—I cannot tell the day.

3190. When he came, did you see him?—Yes.

3191. What did he say?—He said he came to exchange his shares.

3192. Did

3192. Did you ask him to increase his subscription beyond those shares?—I did not.

3193. Did he come with any other person?—Not any other that I saw.

3194. Did nothing whatever pass between you and Mr. Chaplin on that occasion, as to his signing for so large a sum?—Not a word.

3195. Did it surprise you, the sum he put his name down for?—No, not at all; not the least.

3196. Is he any connexion of any of your directors?—I understand he is brother-in-law of Mr. Brothers.

3197. Had anything passed between you and Mr. Brothers on the subject?—Not a word.

3198. Neither before, nor since?—No.

3199. First of all tell us where Mr. Chaplin is to be met with?—I do not know, as I said before.

3200. Do you know his residence?—No.

3201. Should you know where to find him?—No.

3202. Does he reside at Sudbourne now?—I do not know; he has property there.

3203. Go on to the next?—Edward Cuel, Finch-lane, Cornhill, gent., 500 *l.*

3204. Is he known to you?—Not in the least.

3205. Do you know anything about his signing that deed?—He exchanged his shares to that amount.

3206. What day?—I do not know; I have not taken any notes of any day.

3207. What is the next?—Edmund Charles Holland, 33, Sackville-street, gent., 12,000 *l.*

3208. Did you witness his signature?—I did.

3209. State the next?—Spencer Herapath, of Kensington, gent., 5,000 *l.*

5210. Did you witness that?—Yes, I witnessed his signature.

3211. Who is he?—The son of Mr. John Herapath.

3212. Do you know his age?—No, I do not.

3213. Do you know anything about him?—No.

3214. Do you know how he came to sign the deed?—No.

3215. Go on to the next?—Maria Herapath, of Kensington, spinster, 5,250 *l.*; I saw also that signature.

3216. Where?—In the office.

3217. Do you know the Herapaths?—I know Mr. Herapath very well.

3218. Have you visited him?—No.

3219. Do you know Miss Maria Herapath?—I have seen her once.

3220. Is she of age?—I do not know. This is not the signature of Maria Herapath, but her father's.

3221. *Chairman.*] Her father has signed for her?—Yes.

3222. He signed her name?—Yes.

3223. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where did he do that?—At the office.

3224. When?—The Tuesday afternoon.

3225. *Chairman.*] Did you see him do it?—Yes.

3226. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did he pay any deposit?—No.

3227. Did anything pass between you and Mr. Herapath, on the subject of his signing?—Not a word.

3228. Did he call in order to execute?—I do not know; I was in the board room, and happened to walk down, and saw him do it.

3229. And put your initials?—Yes.

3230. And to the signature of Maria?—Yes, as he has put it.

3231. Go to the next?—Amelia Hamond, Hawley-square, Margate, 11,050 *l.*; I witnessed that signature; it was not put by her.

3232. Who put it?—Mr. George Frederick Hamond, of Blackheath.

3233. The chairman of the Greenwich committee?—Yes.

3234. The next?—George Stephen, Basinghall-street, gent.; that is one I put my initials to; I did not see it; I put it through a mistake, in the way I have mentioned.

3235. Who did witness it?—Colin Smith did.

3236. Mr. *Lynch.*] Is his name put there as well?—Yes.

3237. Mr. *Parkes.*] When did he put it?—The moment it was discovered I had made the error.

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3238. When was the moment the discovery was made?—I think the day afterwards it was discovered, but I made no minute.

3239. The next?—Philip Champ, of 7, Retreat-place, Hackney, accountant, 5,100 *l.*; that is witnessed by Mr. Smith under similar circumstances.

3240. Are your initials to that?—Yes, they are.

3241. Do you know anything of him?—No.

3242. Go on to the next?—The next is William Stephen, Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars, gent., 3,500 *l.*; that is a similar thing.

3243. Do you know anything of him?—No.

3244. Go on to the next?—William Peters, Minories, 1,500 *l.*

3245. Did you witness his signature?—Yes.

3246. Who is he?—I do not know. He called at the office, stating he wished to exchange his shares; but when he put his hand in his pocket, he said his shares were at home; but he said, to save trouble, he would sign them, and send the scrip; and I said, if he would send a note with it, I would give the exchange shares to the person he sent.

3247. Did he send a note?—He has never sent yet.

3248. John Turner Houston is the next person?—Yes.

3249. Look at the deed again, and see whether Mr. Hamond put Miss Amelia Hamond, Dover?—Hawley-square, Margate.

3250. State to the Committee what you know of the signatures of the parties to the deed after John Turner Houston?—George Vernon, No. 10, Basinghall-street, merchant, exchanged his shares, witnessed by me.

3251. What is the amount?—£. 750; William John Chapman, Seymour-street, Euston-square, gent., signed for 6,000 *l.*, which I witnessed, but I know nothing of him.

3252. Did he come to the office?—Yes.

3253. Go on?—John Alfred Chalk, Stratford Green, gent., 2,000 *l.*, but I know nothing of him; Richard Harman Lloyd, Tooting Common, gent., 5,000 *l.* Mr. Harman Lloyd is a banker, I believe, a partner in some house, and is the son-in-law of William Borradaile, and is a proprietor to the amount which he has signed for.

3254. Did he pay his deposit, and take his scrip up?—Yes.

3255. Go on?—Samuel Collingwood, Greenwich-house, surveyor, 500 *l.*; I attested his signature, and know him.

3256. Did you apply to him to sign?—No.

3257. Do you know under what circumstances he applied to you to sign?—He did not apply to me; he came to the office, but made no application to me.

3258. Now the next?—Louisa Landmann; but these are subsequent to the deposit of the deed.

3259. With what name do you begin, subsequent to the deposit?—John Alfred Chalk was subsequent to the deposit of the deed.

3260. Have you any knowledge of the increase, not by the directors, but by any subscribers, of their subscriptions, after their first signature and placing the sum opposite their names?—Yes, Mr. Mills; he brought in a certain quantity of shares in the early part of the morning, and towards the afternoon he brought some more, which made up the difference; and to save signing the deed a second time on that occasion, he altered the figures from the first to the second.

3261. Point out the alteration?—[*The Witness pointed it out on the deed.*] Here it is, 4,500 *l.*

3262. What was the original amount; what does it appear to be?—It appears to be 2,000 *l.* originally; afterwards he bought more scrip, which made it 4,500 *l.*

3263. Did he bring the exact quantity of scrip?—Yes.

3264. Have you any book in which it was entered?—Yes, I can find the scrip, I think.

3265. What is the next alteration of figures?—I think there was a Mr. Hall, but I am not certain: Edward Cuel on the same day; that was an alteration from 300 *l.* to 500 *l.*

3266. Is there any other?—I am not sure of any other; here is a William Thompson, of Surrey Grove, Kent Road, gent.; this is a similar circumstance, and there are many signatures, where they brought the scrip for the amount to sign.

3267. Had they paid the deposit upon their first subscriptions, before the alteration of the figures?—They are all exchanges for shares; there was no deposit to pay.

3268. Do you mean to say that they were entire shares?—They were the Gravesend and Dover shares mixed, and brought to me.

3269. Were they original subscriptions in respect of exchanged scrip?—Yes, they are all.

3270. The original subscriptions?—Yes; there is not one signed for more than they exchanged for.

3271. Does the total of the altered subscription entirely represent the exchanged scrip of those individuals?—Yes.

3272. And you can trace it in the books?—Yes.

3273. Did you take the subscription deed to any parties who refused to sign, or did you ask any parties to sign it at the office, or any other places, who refused to sign it?—No, I did not.

3274. Did you witness the signature of William West Parsons, of Southam?—Yes, I did.

3275. Where did you witness it?—In the office.

3276. Was there any alteration made at any time in his figures?—I do not recollect it.

3277. Look at it?—Yes, there was; there was a different amount originally.

3278. When was that?—I do not know; in the first part of the day.

3279. Did he exchange shares?—Yes; and I think he paid something.

3280. Has he any connexion with Mr. Brothers?—I do not know.

3281. Where did you get the scrip?—He brought it to the office.

3282. Were you never at Southam?—I do not know where it is.

3283. Did you witness the subscription of Frances Shipton, of Ely-place, Holborn?—Yes.

3284. What did she sign for?—For that amount of subscriptions in exchange; she is a maiden lady of independent fortune, and an original shareholder.

3285. Did she alter the figures?—No.

3286. Has there been any alteration in William Hall?—Yes, I told you I thought there was an alteration; he came in a second time that day with more shares, and altered it to 4,800*l.*

3287. Was there any alteration in James Felton, of the Royal Mews?—No; he was going to make the figure two instead of one.

3288. What is he?—One of His Majesty's grooms.

3289. Is there any alteration in Thomas Raike, grocer, Duke-street, Southwark, gentleman; rather an illiterate handwriting?—He originally made it 2,500*l.* instead of 7,500*l.*, and then he put his initials, and made it look like 70,500*l.*

3290. Do you know anything of him?—No; he brought his shares to that amount entirely.

3291. You made no inquiry of him?—No; it is not my duty.

3292. Did you witness the signature of Abraham Edward De Grave, of Sutton, gentleman?—Yes.

3293. Do you know what he is?—A scale-maker, near the New Post-office; a gentleman of very considerable fortune, I understand. I do not know anything of him.

3294. Are you the attesting witness of the subscriptions of the directors?—Yes.

3295. At what period did you attest or put your initials against their original subscription?—I am sure I cannot tell that.

3296. Was it last year or the present year?—I think it was the present year, at the first commencement, the first week in the year; I am not quite sure.

3297. Were you present at the board meeting when their subscriptions were increased?—Yes, of course. I am not present at the board to hear any discussion.

3298. Were you present at the board meeting, when their subscriptions were increased, or when there was an increase by some of them?—When they made the alteration I was there.

3299. Was there any discussion at the board in your presence, previous to that alteration?—Certainly not.

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3300. Did you see every one of the increases made?—Yes.

3301. Did some gentlemen refuse to increase?—Yes; I heard so.

3302. Have you any personal knowledge of the refusal?—No.

3303. Can you state who did increase, from memory?—No. I had other things to think of, besides the deed.

3304. Look at the alterations as denoted by the deed, and say whether you saw every one of those made?—Yes.

3305. Mention the names of the gentlemen you saw alter?—Lieutenant Brothers, Mr. Henry Short, Rowland Ronald, George Walter, John Yates, and Thomas Phillpotts.

3306. *Chairman.*] What passed at the time of making these alterations?—I had nothing to do with the board.

3307. What did they do?—I merely saw them take a pen, and alter the figures.

3308. Did you make the alteration in the figures, or they?—They did, of course.

3309. Mr. *Dugdale.*] You were called down to witness their making that alteration?—Yes, on signing the deed.

3310. *Chairman.*] Did you put your initials a second time?—No; I did not think it was necessary. I was not sufficiently versed in the law to know that.

3311. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you detailed to the Committee all the knowledge you have of the increase of the deed, subsequent to that Monday morning?—I have no knowledge, beyond what I have stated, whatever

3312. Have you any knowledge of a little business done at Mr. Hamond's office?—Only by hearsay; I do not know it was done.

3313. Have you had any account presented by Mr. Hamond of expenditure for that day?—No.

3314. Have you had any account from Mr. Hamond of his expenditure for that week?—No; I was in perfect ignorance of it.

3315. Have Mr. Hamond's accounts for petty cash, at Greenwich, ever come under your notice?—No; they are looked at by the secretary, and a cheque drawn for the amount, and I give them to a clerk.

3316. What was the last cheque given to Mr. Hamond?—I think it was 100 *l.*

3317. When was that?—I cannot tell.

3318. Just turn to the account, and see? [*The Witness referred to a book.*]—It seems to have been signed.

3319. *Chairman.*] Read the entry?—£. 100

3320. What date?—The 14th February it bears date.

3321. Mr. *Parkes.*] Has he had any money since?—No; at least it has not come under my cognizance.

3322. What sums have been paid in in the whole to Mr. Hamond?—I really do not know.

3323. Is there any cash account with Mr. Hamond there?—It is merely parliamentary expenses.

3324. State whether Mr. Hamond has any cash account with the company entered in that book?—No.

3325. When was the next cheque preceding?—The 7th of February, 62 *l.* 12 *s.* 6 *d.*

3326. Have you any vouchers for the expenditure?—No; I have not, nor seen any.

3327. Are there any vouchers in the office, to your knowledge?—None whatever.

3328. If there were, who would have the custody of them?—I suppose they would be in the books.

3329. *Chairman.*] By whose order was that cheque paid to Mr. Hamond?—It is ordered by the board, requested by the secretaries, and they give their consent.

3330. Do you know in respect of what expenditure it was he had that 100 *l.*?—No, I do not know anything at all about it.

3331. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know the amount of deposits paid upon the original Kent shares?—The amount of deposits paid upon the original Kent shares, as near as I can recollect, must be about 1,700 *l.*

3332. Were

3332. Were you informed by one or both of the secretaries of the great importance, upon the 13th, 14th or 15th of February, of increasing the subscription list?—No; that importance naturally occurred to myself.

3333. Had you any such communication with the secretaries?—No.

3334. Or with the directors?—No; I had nothing to do with the directors.

3335. Then how did you derive that knowledge?—When I heard there was an increase in the estimate.

3336. When did you hear that?—On the Monday, from Mr. Colin Smith.

3337. You all set about increasing the list, without any communication with each other?—Faith, I never set about it at all.

3338. You only attested those you have mentioned?—Yes; I received scrip up to the last day.

3339. Had you any communication with Mr. Colin Smith, or Mr. Green, as to any practical means of increasing the list?—No, nothing, except in a cursory conversation.

3340. What did pass in that cursory conversation?—I do not know, I am sure; I am not able to inform you.

3341. Were not you all three together impressed with the peril of the company from the deficiency of the subscription list?—I dare say we were; I know I was.

3342. Was not it within your knowledge, if you had not one-half the amount on the deed, you could not go to Parliament this session?—Certainly.

3343. Have you had any shares yourself?—No, not one.

3344. Have you represented any shares indirectly?—Certainly not.

3345. None whatever?—No.

3346. Is there any party in the deed representing your interest?—No, faith, I have no interest.

3347. *Chairman.*] Nor any person for you?—No, I wish I had; I should be very happy if I had.

3348. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you bought up any scrip of the Gravesend?—No.

3349. Have you bought up any scrip for any other persons?—I have had transactions as to 30 or 40 shares for friends.

3350. Were you a subscriber to the Gravesend?—No.

3351. Nor anybody for you?—No.

3352. They were at one time at a good premium?—Yes.

3353. Were the Kent ever at a premium?—I never heard of their being in the market.

3354. Did you never look at the share list to see the market price?—Yes; but I believe it is only in the last few days the Kent Railway has been in the list at all.

3355. Have you any knowledge, other than you have stated to the Committee, of gentlemen who represent shares which they have not signed for, or for which other parties have signed?—No other whatever.

3356. Did the directors pay up their calls on their original signatures, before the increase?—I do not know.

3357. Does it appear in the cash account?—No, it does not.

3358. What is your knowledge of it?—My knowledge is nothing.

3359. Have you any knowledge whether the directors did or did not deposit, upon the original sums subscribed?—I have no knowledge.

3360. Did they pay any deposit upon the increase?—I do not know; I am not in the board-room, and their transactions I cannot know.

3361. Have you any list of individuals who have paid their deposits?—Not in the deeds.

3362. That will give you no information. Have you any book in which there is an entry of persons who paid their deposits upon the original Kent shares?—Yes, there is of course. [*The Witness produced a book.*]

3363. State any gentlemen who have paid deposits upon the original Kent shares?—I must go through the whole alphabet.

3364. State the largest amount of deposits that appears from any individual upon original Kent shares?—I must go through the whole alphabet.

3365. Will you let me look at it?—[*It was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

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3366. Mr. *Brotherton.*] In what capacity was Mr. Hamond employed?—I do not know that he was employed in any capacity; I only knew him as the chairman of the Greenwich committee; I knew nothing of him beyond that.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Rotch.*

3367. You have mentioned that Mr. Hamond was paid 100 *l.*, as it appears by the books on the 14th; are not those sums applied for at a previous board, and ordered on that day?—Yes.

3368. Of course that 100 *l.* must have been in consequence of some previous application?—Yes, certainly.

3369. He happened to be paid on that day?—Yes.

3370. You were engaged also, you say, on the Gravesend Railway?—Yes, I was.

3371. When you belonged to the Gravesend Railway, I believe you had a vast number more than you could possibly satisfy of applications?—I believe applications for nearly 90,000 shares.

3372. There being how many?—Twenty thousand to be distributed.

3373. On that occasion, I believe, you made a selection, and refused a great many?—That selection was made by the committee themselves; there must be, of course, a vast number omitted.

3374. In consequence of the offence you gave by the selection you made, did you determine afterwards, in the Dover Railway, to give to everybody who applied?—It was so determined in the Dover Railway; I know Mr. Smith told me so.

3375. On that account?—Yes.

3376. Then, when you found the effect that this had produced, and that by giving to everybody, the letters were being sold at 3 *d.* a share, have you repented, and bought up the letters?—I have no doubt they saw the evil, and repented it: I foresaw the evil, the moment I heard of it.

3377. That was the reason of that promiscuous issue of shares, in consequence of the offence you gave in the former company?—Yes.

3378. Do you know Captain Jones?—Yes, perfectly well.

3379. He was originally a director in the Kent?—No, in the Gravesend.

3380. And in the Dover?—I do not know; I had nothing to do with the Dover.

3381. He is not a director in the Kent?—No.

3382. Have you seen him lately?—I saw him this very day.

3383. On what occasion?—He called to exchange his Gravesend shares into the Kent.

3384. Did he make the exchange?—He did.

3385. Did he sign the deed to-day?—Yes.

3386. Without any solicitation?—Yes.

3387. Came of his own accord?—Yes, to sign the deed.

3388. He is a brother-in-law of Mr. Dottin, a Member of the House of Commons?—I have so been told.

3389. A connexion of the Earl of Albemarle?—Yes.

3390. Do you know Mr. Algernon Attwood also?—Yes.

3391. Who is he?—The son of Mr. Thomas Attwood, the Member for Birmingham.

3392. Do you know Richard Wilson?—I know him personally.

3393. Has Algernon Attwood signed the deed?—Yes, I believe he is the first.

3394. And Richard Wilson?—Yes.

3395. Who is Richard Wilson?—I believe he is in the banking-house of Spooner and Attwood.

3396. *Chairman.*] In what capacity?—I do not know; he is not an acquaintance of mine.

3397. Mr. *Rotch.*] Did he not produce scrip to the amount he signed for?—Yes.

3398. To the amount of 10,000 *l.*?—Yes.

3399. £. 5,000 twice?—Yes.

3400. *Chairman.*] What is the amount of Algernon Attwood?—I believe 1,000 *l.*; I am speaking from memory.

3401. Mr. *Rotch.*] £. 5,000 and 6,000 *l.* Mr. Wilson's subscription is; he produced scrip to that amount?—Yes.

3402. It was only an exchange?—Yes, that was all.

3403. Are there not, at this moment, 6,000 scrip shares outstanding, that have not been exchanged?—Full that.

3404. What would be the amount of that?—£. 150,000; that is independent of 630 shares I hold now, at this moment, belonging to different individuals.

3405. How much does that come to?—It would be 15,000 *l.*

3406. That would make 165,000 *l.* outstanding, which you consider good?—There are 25,000 *l.* that have not signed, who have exchanged, residing at Birmingham and Manchester: the scrip has been sent to them, upon a promise given to our agents, that they would sign whenever required.

3407. They are waiting for the deed to be sent there to be signed?—Yes.

3408. Those parties of course who hold the scrip at Manchester and Birmingham, would have nothing to pay?—No; our agents have got the old certificates.

3409. That has been paid upon?—Yes, or they could not be got possession of.

3410. That would be an exchange, and they would have nothing to pay?—Yes, they have exchanged; I have sent them the scrip for that purpose.

3411. How do you account for the 6,000 *l* not coming in?—I cannot account for it; but I know that it is so, from the number of shares I have exchanged.

3412. There would be nothing to be paid upon the 6,000 *l.*?—No.

3413. That has all been paid upon?—Yes, as far as the 3,000 and odd shares go.

Mr. *Hill* postponed his cross-examination till to-morrow.

3414. *Chairman.*] Was there any application by Mr. Hamond for 100 *l.*, on the board day previous to that upon which he received the cheque?—That is a question I cannot answer; it belongs entirely to the secretaries.

3415. Had any account been previously rendered by Mr. Hamond of expenditure by him, which entitled him to the receipt of a cheque for the amount of 100 *l.*?—I know nothing of it; it is quite out of my department.

3416. Are those accounts brought to you previous to the issuing of the cheque for the payment of them?—Very seldom.

3417. Is it not your business, as accountant, to receive those accounts, and check them, and certify them to the directors before they are paid?—Sometimes they are brought to me, to see that the addition is correct.

3418. Is it part of your business?—Yes, if they require it.

3419. Did you check such an account rendered by Mr. Hamond, previous to the issue of the cheque of 100 *l.*?—I have seen none.

3420. Mr. *Hill.*] You have said it is not the usual course for you to check the accounts, but only such as are brought to you?—Yes.

3421. Which is the exception, and not the rule?—Yes.

3422. *Chairman.*] Which is the exception?—Those brought to me.

3423. Mr. *Hill.*] Is it the exception bringing the account to you to look at?—Yes.

3424. *Chairman.*] Have you cognizance that the cheque was paid, upon an account previously rendered by him?—No, I have not.

3425. Did you attest the signature of the clerks in the house of Spooner, Attwood & Co., who signed the deed?—Certainly.

3426. When did they sign?—That I cannot tell.

3427. About what period?—I cannot tell. It is impossible, with so much as passes through my hands of that nature, that I can know the different dates.

3428. Were the deposits paid by the parties?—It was an exchange of scrip.

3429. You undertake to say that?—Yes.

3430. In every case?—Yes, in every case.

3431. Have you any distinct record as to who the parties are that exchanged the scrip for the new shares?—Of course, I enter it on the part that is cut off the certificates, and also in the book of certificates themselves.

3432. Have you got with you the cheque of the scrip?—I do not know. I have the scrip itself here [*producing it*].

Mr. *Parkes* requested the Committee to direct the Witness to prepare an abstract of the persons who had exchanged scrip of the Gravesend for the Kent scrip.

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Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the Witness being called upon to do anything of the kind, it being contrary to the first principles which govern proceedings of courts of justice.

Mr. *Rotch* was heard in support of the objection.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in answer to the objection.

3433. *Chairman.*] Have those papers been abstracted, and entered in any book altogether?—Yes; this book is full of them

3434. Mr. *Parkes.*] Cannot you make out a schedule without going through the scrip?—Yes; they are entered here.

3435. *Chairman.*] Point out one instance of the kind from that book?—[*The Witness pointed out an entry in the book produced.*]—Frederick Brome, of Woolwich, 705 shares applied for; exchanged 1,410 for 705.

3436. Does this book state, whether it is exchanged from the Gravesend, or exchanged from the Dover?—No; it does not.

3437. Do those papers contain both the scrip of the Gravesend and the Dover?—Yes; they are tied up together.

3438. There is nothing in this book to show which of the two were exchanged?—No; but I know it.

3439. If from this table there were abstracted all those names and subscriptions opposite to which there is written exchange, would that give you the names of all the persons who have so exchanged, and the amount of scrip they have brought in for being exchanged?—Yes, I should say so.

3440. All the papers that are in those bundles have been entered in this book?—They ought to be.

3441. Do you believe that they have?—Yes, I do.

3442. Mr. *Parkes.*] I ask you to produce the limited number of exchanges you have referred to in your evidence to-day, including the clerks in Messrs. Spooner & Attwood's house?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the course proposed by Mr. Parkes, and requested that he might proceed in the regular way.

Mr. *Rotch* was heard in support of the objection.

3443. Mr. *Parkes.*] Find Robert Wilson?—Robert Wilson exchanged 200 shares for 100 shares.

3444. When?—I have no dates.

3445. Find Robert Wilson again?—Exchanged 135 for 68.

3446. Are those all his exchanges?—Forty for 20.

3447. When?—About the same time.

3448. Show me those three entries?—[*They were shown to Mr. Parkes.*]—Here is one; I have put myself in the name of the firm.

3449. Why did you quote that to the Committee, as one of Mr. Wilson's?—It is he exchanged it.

3450. How do you know they were his?—If he brought them to me, I entered them.

3451. It is entered in the name of Wilson; do you remember his coming to the office for that purpose?—Yes, certainly I do.

3452. What do those shares amount to?—£. 10,000.

3453. Do you know that the entry personally belonged to him, which is made in the name of the firm?—I do not know that; I made an error the other day, and I believe it was an error.

3454. How did you know it was an error?—By going to the firm.

3455. What did they say?—That I was wrong.

3456. Mr. *Thesiger.*] When was it you went to them?—The very self-same day.

3457. What day?—I do not know.

3458. Was it before the petition?—Yes.

3459. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know Mr. Wilson represents 11,000 *l.*?—Yes; and I know they are all exchanged.

3460. How do you know that, when there are only 10,000 *l.* entered, including the one in the name of the firm?—Here is another, 55.

3461. What name is it?—The same name.

3462. How

3462. How many shares are entered in Mr. Wilson's own name?—Four hundred; you saw it in the book just now. Mr. *R. Lancaster.* 10 March 1837.

3463. Where?—[*The Witness pointed it out.*]

3464. If you include the entry in the name of the firm of Attwood & Co.; does not that make 2,500 *l.* instead of 11,000 *l.*?—Yes, it may. I tell you, not knowing, in the first instance, it was their clerk, I entered it under his own name; and finding he was a clerk there, I entered it in the name of one or other of the firm, and I found I was wrong.

3465. It has been stated in evidence by Mr. Green, that he obtained the signatures of two of Mr. Attwood's clerks on the Monday or Tuesday, I forget which, and obtained some additional subscribers; how do you reconcile that statement with your evidence, that you know that all the shares represented by the clerks in that house were exchanged shares?—I said, all I exchanged were exchanged for shares; I know nothing of what Mr. Green has said; I know nothing of what was said about Mr. Davis.

Mr. *Edward Wilkinson*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

3466. WHAT is your name, address and profession?—Edward Wilkinson, Point House, Blackheath, gentleman. Mr. *E. Wilkinson.*

3467. Are you a subscriber on the Kent deed, signing for 4,000 *l.*?—I am.

3468. When did you become a subscriber?—About a month since.

3469. Was it in the early part of February?—I cannot say; I should think near a month since.

3470. Under what circumstances did you become a signer of the deed?—In consequence of some general conversation as I was coming up by the railroad from Greenwich to London, I was asked if I had ever seen the model or plan of this Kent railroad; I said I had not, but should like very much to see it. Mr. Hamond, I think it was, who was in the coach, (it was not from him the former observation came,) asked me if I had any objection to sign the petition; I said I was fond of improvement, and should have no objection to sign the petition. He said I should have a print of it, if I would go to the office to sign; a few days afterwards I called there, and was examining the model and how it acted, and so forth; Mr. Green, whom I had known, him and his father, for 40 or 50 years, said, "Ay, Mr. Wilkinson, I am glad to see you; step here, and put your name here," which I considered was the petition; I put my name down, and immediately after that he asked me to put the amount against my name; I said, Good God, what occasion is there for that? I have no interest; I have not written for a share. He then said, "that is of no consequence whatever, you will never be called upon; we have got plenty of subscribers; and you are perfectly safe, and you may put your name down for what you like." I then put down, I think, 1,000 *l.* originally; after that he requested me; he said, "that is a small sum, your friends may wish to have shares," and so on; "make it a larger amount, you are perfectly safe, you will never be called upon;" and I then altered it to 4,000 *l.* Several days after that, I was not satisfied with myself with what I had done, I then called on Mr. Green, to state to him I did not approve of it; and he said, "you may rest quite safe, you will never be called upon for anything, unless you choose to subscribe." In consequence of that, I did not ask to have my name erased; "I was perfectly safe, and he would rather burn the papers than I should be annoyed."

Mr. *Thesiger* requested Mr. Parkes to point out to the Committee what part of the allegations in the petition he considered this evidence as applying to.

Mr. *Parkes* stated there was a general charge of obtaining signatures under false pretences.

Upon the suggestion of a Member of the Committee, Mr. *Thesiger* withdrew the objection.

3471. Mr. *Parkes.*] I did not understand you distinctly to account for signing 4,000 *l.* instead of 1,000 *l.*?—It was at the request of Mr. Green.

3472. You had put 1,000 *l.*?—Yes.

3473. And altered it into 4,000 *l.*?—Yes.

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3474. Did you pay any deposit?—No.

3475. Or take any scrip?—No.

3476. Did you consider you were liable to the public or the company?—No; at the time I was taken by surprise.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

3477. You are not a young man?—No; but I have known Mr. Green many years.

Mark Rothschild, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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3478. YOUR name is Mark Rothschild?—Yes.

3479. Where do you live?—Britannia Terrace, 72.

3480. Did you live there in February last?—I have lived there about 11 months.

3481. What is your trade or calling?—In the cigar line.

3482. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company for 7,500 *l.*?—I accidentally, (as I am in embarrassed circumstances at present,) came to the Royal Exchange, and a very respectable gentleman of the name of Mr. Castello came forward; and he knows I was better off than I am at present; and he said, if I wished to sign a name for a railroad, I should get 5 *s.*, and I only received 4 *s.*; and I must give him, Mr. Castello, one; and as I knew he would not say such a thing, as he is such a respectable man, and a great friend of my father-in-law, I did sign it: I know he is a man that will always assist any poor, and a very good man.

3483. Have you any cigar shop?—No, I have not; I had a cigar shop, but I am reduced in business.

3484. Do you deal in them?—Yes.

3485. Where you can meet a customer?—Yes.

3486. You are not worth 7,500 *l.*?—I am not.

3487. Do you know the name of the street you signed, in Mark-lane?—I know the street.

3488. When did you receive the 4 *s.*?—Half-past four of the same day.

3489. I believe at one time you were one of the fraternity of the Bohemian brothers?—Yes.

3490. You travelled the country, as a singer?—Yes.

3491. How long was that ago?—Four or five years ago.

3492. You are a foreigner?—Yes.

3493. What countryman?—A Bohemian.

3494. Are you acquainted with Mr. Hamond?—Mr. Hamond!

3495. The gentleman at whose office you have signed?—No, I am quite a stranger to the whole establishment; but I know, as Mr. Castello was a very good-hearted man, I only obliged him.

Mr. *Thesiger* suggested that it would not be necessary to call all the parties who had received money, but that if one or two persons who had signed the petition were called, he should be satisfied.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, that that petition had not been appeared upon. Mr. Parkes also stated, he did not mean to call any more of the 33 persons at present, but would proceed to call Mr. Hamond.

Mr. *Hill* stated to the Committee that Mr. Hamond was a person against whom very grave charges were made, and it would be quite a new thing that a man against whom charges were made, should be placed at once in the situation of a defendant and a witness; that he did not intend to raise any objection to Mr. Hamond being called; he merely wished to point out to the Committee the situation in which they were requested to place His Majesty's subjects; and he respectfully called upon the Committee to consider the ground upon which they were standing, and the vast departure they were making from the course of procedure in this country, where anything like a criminal charge was made.

The *Chairman* stated, if the Counsel for Mr. Hamond, or Mr. Hamond himself, objected to answer any question, on the ground that the answer might tend to criminate himself, the Committee would at once consider the objection; but if no objection was made, the course of the Committee was to go on, and acquire the best information it was in their power to obtain.

Mr.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in answer to the observations of Mr. Hill, and referred to the petition presented by Mr. Hamond, praying to be heard by himself, his agents; or counsel, and in that petition he disputed allegations in the petition which was the foundation of the proceedings of the Committee; and that if he put any question to Mr. Hamond, the answer to which might be the foundation of a civil or criminal proceeding, it would be competent for Mr. Hill or Mr. Hamond to object; and referred to a similar inquiry in the case of Mr. Eyre Lee, who was called and examined as a witness.

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The *Chairman* inquired whether any objection was taken by Mr. Hamond to his being called as a witness, or whether his counsel objected on his behalf; that it was necessary the objection should come from the counsel or party, and that the objection could not come from the Committee itself.

Mr. *Hill* was heard in reply, and stated he would not do Mr. Hamond the injustice of objecting on his behalf to his being examined; that he would merely suggest it to the Committee, that Mr. Hamond had not been summoned, and that if he was here, it was merely matter of accident, and he trusted the Committee would well consider this point before they put Mr. Hamond into the box as a witness.

The *Chairman* stated that unless an objection was made, Mr. Parkes would call the witness.

Mr. *Hill* stated he felt himself placed in a very painful situation by the Committee not feeling itself at liberty to entertain the question, unless the objection was taken, and he was compelled therefore to object.

The Committee-room was cleared.

After some time, the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed, that the Committee had decided that Mr. Hamond be called in.

Mr. *Frederick George Hamond*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

3496. WHAT is your residence?—Catherine House, Blackheath Road.

3497. Are you in any trade in London?—Ship Insurance broker.

3498. Have you any city counting-house?—Yes.

3499. Have you been connected with the Kent Railway Company, as a shareholder or local director?—Yes.

3500. Were you chairman of the Greenwich local direction?—Yes, of the committee there.

3501. When was the commencement of your connexion with the Kent Rail way Company?—Upon my word I do not know; it is some time since.

3502. Was it from the first formation of the company, or after the first formation of the company?—I should think it was after.

3503. Had you any connexion with the preceding companies consolidated into the Kent, the Gravesend and Dover?—Yes, I think I had.

3504. Were you a shareholder in that company?—Yes.

3505. To what amount in the Gravesend?—I do not exactly recollect.

3506. Were you a shareholder in the Dover?—Yes.

3507. When the Dover was distinct from the Gravesend?—Yes, I think I was.

3508. Do you recollect at all what number of shares you had in it?—

Chairman.] Have you any memorandum to refer to?—

—No; I did not know I should be examined to-day; I have been in attendance all the week.

3509. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you a large shareholder in the Gravesend or the Dover?—I think I was.

3510. Did you pay your deposits in both of them, or either of them?—I do not recollect; I do not think I did, in the latter one.

3511. Not in the Dover; did you pay any of your deposits in the Gravesend?—I think I did.

3512. Do you know how much scrip, you took up?—No, I do not.

3513. Do you recollect being a subscriber on that deed for 800 *l.*?—I think I was.

3514. Did you hold your scrip, or sell it?—I think I hold it now.

3515. Are you sure of it?—Yes; I think I am.

3516. You

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3516. You did not exchange it into the Kent?—No.

3517. Is that the identical scrip you subscribed for, or scrip you purchased?—I purchased some, and I sold some. I cannot say whether it is the identical.

3518. You bought and sold?—Yes.

3519. Were you a subscriber to the Kent, before you were chairman of the local committee at Greenwich?—Yes.

3520. At whose instance were you chosen one of the local committee at Greenwich?—I cannot say. I was chairman to the Greenwich undertaking; and thinking it would benefit my parish, I promoted it.

3521. You have been a very active promoter of this undertaking?—Yes; thinking it would benefit the parish, I exerted the interest I had, in their behalf.

3522. You have been instrumental in getting up petitions?—Yes.

3523. And in getting subscriptions?—I dare say a number of my friends have taken shares, in consequence of my being connected with it.

3524. Were you a shareholder in the company, when you took the chair first of the local committee at Greenwich?—Yes.

3525. Have you paid any deposit upon your Kent shares?—No; I have never been called upon.

3526. Did you apply by letter for shares, when the company was first advertised?—No doubt of it.

3527. Do you know what the allotment was?—No, I do not.

3528. Were not you occasionally authorized to lay out money at Greenwich for the directors of the company, in procuring petitions?—Any expense I went to for the committee, I was paid.

3529. You have expended something considerable?—I dare say I have.

3530. Had you two or three public-houses going?—I cannot say I had.

3531. Do you not recollect paying, or causing to be paid, some considerable expense at public-houses, in respect to petitions?—No, I do not.

3532. Do you not recollect paying expenses for persons getting up petitions in favour of the Kent Railway; have you paid money for obtaining signatures to petitions?—Yes, certainly.

3533. What petitions were those?—Various petitions; to the Woods and Forests, The King, and various public offices.

3534. How were they procured by you?—By having persons to go round to different houses.

3535. Some of them were signed at public-houses?—Yes.

3536. And a little allowance to the persons signing them?—No; not before they signed them.

3537. After they signed them?—Yes.

3538. A two-penny or three-penny glass?—After they signed the petition to The King, there was; it was to drink The King's health.

3539. There was a pretty good lot of them?

Mr *Hill* stated there was no allegation in the petition that related to petitions to The King, or the Woods and Forests.

3540. Mr. *Parkes.*] When did you execute the deed of the Kent Railway Company yourself, personally?—I cannot tell; it was some time in the beginning of February, I think, or it might be before; I cannot recollect.

3541. Do you know what amount of cash you had from the directors?—No; I do not.

3542. Have you any idea?—No.

3543. Several hundred pounds?—No; nor half the money.

3544. Can you state how much?—No; I cannot.

3545. £.200 or 300*l.*?—There may be 300*l.* or 400*l.* that have been expended by me.

3546. Were you in frequent communication with the secretaries to the company, in consequence of the interest you took, and your situation as chairman of the local committee?—Yes.

3547. Were you in communication with any of the directors?—I do not think I ever was with any one of them.

3548. Did you make any report from Greenwich, to the directors?—I certainly did, to the secretaries.

3549. You

3549. You personally communicated with the secretaries, and sent in the accounts to them?—Yes.

3550. Have you got any copies of those accounts?—No.

3551. Or records of them?—No.

3552. Do you recollect, on Monday the 13th of February, preceding the lodgment of the papers in the Private Bill Office, any communication you had with, either the secretaries, or any other parties, about the insufficiency of the subscription deed?—No.

3553. Do you know a person of the name of Rowley?—Yes.

3554. Was he a person employed by you?—Yes.

3555. Both in getting up petitions at Greenwich, and other matters connected with the Kent Railway?—Yes.

3556. Did you give him any instructions, one day, to procure some parties to the contract deed of the Kent Railway Company?—No.

3557. At no time?—Repeat the question.

3558. Did you give any instructions to a person of the name of Rowley, who had been employed by you in the Kent Railway matters, to procure signatures to the contract deed?—I think the secretary gave him instructions.

3559. Where?—At my counting-house.

3560. *Chairman.*] What secretary?—Mr. Green.

3561. Mr. *Parkes.*] On the occasion of your meeting the secretary at that time, what did the secretary come about?—He asked me if I could recommend him to a person to procure signatures to that deed; and I recommended him to Mr. Rowley.

3562. Did he state to you that the deed was insufficient in the amount?—I think he did.

3563. Do you recollect the time of day?—It was in the morning part.

3564. Did he bring the deed with him?—I think he did.

3565. Did anything further pass between you and him, as to procuring further signatures through your instrumentality?—I think I left Mr. Green talking to him; he made some arrangement with him.

3566. Did you introduce Mr. Rowley to Mr. Green?—Yes, he met him at my counting-house.

3567. Was it in consequence of any previous conversation you had with Mr. Rowley, before you saw Mr. Green that day, that you appointed him to meet you there?—No; he was going down to Greenwich to get a requisition signed.

3568. He happened to be there accidentally?—No; he was to be there to go down to Greenwich, to get signatures to the requisition to call a public meeting.

3569. State what further passed between you and Mr. Green, and Mr. Rowley, as to getting further subscriptions to the deed?—I do not think that anything passed with me then.

3570. What reason have you for thinking that Mr. Rowley could procure signatures to the deed?—No more, than because he got signatures to my petition at Greenwich.

3571. Do you know anything about the signatures to those petitions?—I should say that some of the first men in Europe had signed it.

3572. What description of persons did you think Rowley could procure?—I was not capable of judging.

3573. What knowledge have you of any proceedings by Mr. Rowley, in consequence of that introduction of Mr. Rowley to Mr. Green, to procure further subscriptions?—I have none.

3574. Did you meet Mr. Rowley afterwards?—Yes, he came to me at 'Change.

3575. Did you leave Mr. Rowley and Mr. Green together?—I will not be sure; I think I did; I know I was very busy, and went out.

3576. *Chairman.*] Did you not say before, you left Mr. Green talking to Mr. Rowley?—I think I did; and that is the question asked me now.

3577. Mr. *Parkes.*] Previous to your going on 'Change, did you not see Mr. Rowley execute the deed for a large sum?—I think not.

3578. Were not you in the room at the time?—I think I was.

3579. Did he not execute it, to your knowledge?—Not at that time.

3580. What other time did he?—Afterwards he told me of it.

3581. What did you say to him?—I did not make any reply.

3582. You know Rowley's circumstances to be very needy?—No, I do not.

3583. You state that positively to the Committee?—Yes; I did not know him to be in needy circumstances.

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3584. What did you pay him for those itinerant excursions to obtain signatures to petitions?—Sometimes according to the number he got, and in general from 10 *s.* to 12 *s.* a day.

3585. How long have you known him?—Perhaps a year and a half.

3586. Do you not know that his circumstances are very needy; answer the question?—No, I could not know it; I could not think he was well off.

3587. Did you not know he was a needy person, in the common acceptation of the term?—He could not be well off; I will say he was a needy person.

3588. Do you not know he was a needy person of your own knowledge?—I should think he must have been, if he got petitions signed for 12 *s.* a day.

3589. Do you not know he is?—I should think he was.

3590. Do you not know it of your own knowledge?—I should say yes, certainly.

3591. Is he good for the sum of 10,500 *l.*?—I should say not.

3592. Is he good for 10,500 sixpences?—That I cannot say.

3593. Yes, you can?—No I cannot.

3594. *Chairman.*] Do you not know that he is dependent for his daily bread upon what he earns by his daily labour?—No doubt of it.

3595. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was this interview with Mr. Green upon the Monday or the Tuesday?—I do not know; I think it was the 14th of February.

3596. At what time of the day was it they came to the counting-house?—I do not recollect exactly; it was in the morning part.

3597. In consequence of what passed between Mr. Green and Mr. Rowley, some hours afterwards did Rowley make any application to you for money, for the men that signed the deed?—In the course of the day he came to me for money; decidedly, on 'Change.

3598. What did he state was the object of his obtaining the money?—To treat the persons who had signed the deed.

3599. Had you not communication with Mr. Green, on the evening preceding this interview, on the 13th, on your road home?—No.

3600. Had you no conversation with him to the purport, whether he could not procure, for some fews hillings a-head, signatures to the deed, previous to the meeting on the 14th?—No.

3601. Are you confident of that?—Yes.

3602. Did you meet him the preceding evening?—I do not think I did.

3603. Were not you walking down the Deptford-road together the preceding evening, when the subject was first mentioned by you to him?—Decidedly not.

3604. Did you send for Rowley to your counting-house to arrange this subject with him?—Yes.

3605. He was there accidentally?—No, not accidentally. He was there to go to Greenwich to get a requisition signed.

3606. Were not you walking with Rowley then?—No.

3607. Are you certain you did not mention the subject to him, till the day on which the arrangement was made?—I am certain of it.

3608. Did you give him your address, with some of your cards, to give to the parties who came to sign the deed?—Certainly not.

3609. Had you any printed cards of your Mark-lane address?—No, none whatever.

3610. Had you any communication with Mr. Rowley afterwards, of the number of persons he could get to sign the deed, that day?—No.

3611. What time did he come to you on 'Change for the money?—It must be about half-past four, as I was coming out.

3612. What did he ask for it for?—To treat the people who had signed.

3613. What did you give him?—£. 6.

3614. Did he say what the parties were to have?—No.

3615. Did he ask for the sum of 6 *l.*?—He asked me for some money; he said he wanted 6 *l.*; I had not 6 *l.* in my pocket, and I gave him a draft.

3616. Where did you draw it?—At a small shop by the 'Change.

3617. Did you return home on that evening?—Yes, I think I dined at home that evening.

3618. Did anything pass between you and Mr. Green, as to the number of parties wanted to sign the deed?—No.

3619. Did he tell you the amount of money he wanted added to the deed?—No.

3620. Were not you in the back counting-house with Mr. Green, at the time that some of the parties signed the deed?—I think I was not.

3621. Are you confident you were not?—No; I use both of my counting-houses, and I might be in the one or the other.

3622. When did Mr. Rowley communicate what he had done?—When he came to 'Change for the money.

3623. Had you any conversation with Mr. Rowley, as to the character of the persons to be brought to sign the deed?—Certainly not.

3624. When did you know from Mr. Rowley, who had signed the deed?—I never knew who had signed it.

3625. Did you see Mr. Castello?—I did.

3626. What passed between you and Mr. Castello?—Mr. Rowley introduced him to me, for the purpose of getting the deed signed.

3627. Where?—At my counting-house.

3628. When?—In the morning, before I went to 'Change.

3629. What passed?—Rowley introduced him to me; I asked Mr. Castello if he could get the deed signed; he said, oh yes, he could.

3630. What else?—He said, "Oh, yes, I can get it signed," as I understood it, "as all other companies have their deeds signed."

3631. Had you not a little negociation with him, as to the cost of obtaining signatures?—Yes, he told me it would cost money.

3632. Did he tell you what it would cost?—He did not state any sum, at the moment.

3633. At what other time?—I asked him what sum other companies were in the habit of paying; he said, the cost was, in general, from 5*s.* to 10*s.*

3634. What took place further; did you object to such a sum?—No; I said, if you put me upon the same footing as all the other companies have paid you, I will pay you.

3635. You have been a member of many other companies?—No, I have not; I have been in the Blackwall Company; which you know, I believe.

3636. And the Steam Navigation Company?—No.

3637. Any transactions with any other company?—Yes, the Towing Company; but that was not carried into execution.

3638. What other company?—I have had shares in other companies.

3639. Have you any personal knowledge of any other company getting their deeds so signed?—Never, in my life.

3640. Did you not ask Mr. Castello to get it done cheaper than 10*s.*?—Yes, I said it was a deal of money to pay.

3641. What price did you get it down to at last?—I did not get it down to any price; he said he must treat his party with a dinner and wine, and I said I must agree to it.

3642. Did you ultimately agree to 5*s.* a-head?—No.

3643. Had you that interview with him, without any communication as to the number of persons required, or the amount?—Yes; I did not know the amount.

3644. Did you make any observation to Rowley, when he signed for 10,500*l.*, as to his liability?—Certainly not.

3645. Did you not tell him there was no liability?—No.

3646. Did you give Mr. Castello any money?—He borrowed a sovereign, or half a sovereign, the first time I saw him.

3647. When did you see him afterwards?—I did not see him afterwards.

3648. Did you pay Rowley any money afterwards, besides the cheque?—Yes, 2*l.* 10*s.* or 2*l.* 15*s.*

3649. Did he show you a list of the persons who had signed?—No.

3650. Will you repeat that you did not give Rowley any instructions, but left him to follow his own judgment, about the amount to be signed for?—Certainly, I never did.

3651. And Mr. Green never informed you, how much money was wanted for the deed?—No.

3652. *Chairman.*] Did he inform you that a large sum, or that a small sum wanted?—No, I do not think he named any sum.

3653. Mr. *Parkes.*] When Mr. Rowley applied to you for some more money, did not he tell you the sum that had been signed for?—No; he said it had been signed, and it was taken to the office.

3654. When had you the first intimation what it was signed for?—I do not know to the present time.

3655. Or the number of persons?—Yes, I have been told since that.

3656. What day?—The 30th, I think.

3657. Have

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3657. Have you read the petition presented to the House?—Yes.

3658. Did you see the sums set out there?—Yes.

3659. Very large sums, are not they?—Yes.

3660. Had you any communication with Mr. Green, and Mr. Smith, after that on the subject of these signatures?—No.

3661. Were you reimbursed your expenses by the company?—No.

3662. Did you send them in?—No.

3663. Did you receive any money from the company, that week?—I will not be sure; I might, if I had any sums to pay.

3664. What sums had you to pay?—Various sums; all the parchment I had to pay for, and for going round the parishes with the petitions.

3665. In your account of your expenditure, did you give either of the secretaries any account of your expenditure, in this respect?—No.

3666. Never?—I might put down the sum I had to receive.

3667. Did you deliver them in to the secretary?—I do not think I did; he took my word.

3668. Do you mean that you received money from the company, without sending in any account?—Yes; from the secretary I did.

3669. Did you never send in any account to the secretary?—I do not think I did.

3670. When did you receive 100 *l.* before?—I cannot say; I recollect I received it.

3671. Where did you receive it?—From Mr. Green or Mr. Smith, at Cornhill.

3672. What did it represent?—The expenses attending the signing the petitions.

3673. No part attending the signing the deed?—No, certainly not.

3674. Did you lay out the money for the company that you paid to Mr. Rowley?—I had no money of the company in hand.

3675. Answer the question; did you think you were spending that money on account of the company, by obtaining those signatures?—Not thinking there was any harm in it, I certainly did.

3676. Have you any claim against the company now?—Yes.

3677. Beyond the sum expended through Mr. Rowley on that occasion?—Yes.

3678. Were you, or were not you, in your counting-house, at the time some part of those persons came to sign the deed; were not Mr. Green and you in the interior room?—I think I was not; and I am quite confident I did not see a person sign the deed.

3679. Were you in your counting-house during the period that any person came to sign the deed?—I think I was not.

3680. Will you say you were not?—To the best of my recollection I was not.

3681. *Chairman.*] What time were you at the counting-house that day?—Between one and two; and then I went down to the docks, and did not return till past four.

3682. What time did you arrive at your counting-house in the morning, and when did you quit it?—About 10 or 11, I went there first.

3683. When did you quit it that day, for the first time?—I cannot say, I quit it so often.

3684. At what hour was it you returned to the counting-house?—I am so situated, I do not remain 10 minutes at one time.

3685. Mr. *Parkes.*] What parties are there on the deed, as subscribers, who are members of your own individual family; which of your children are subscribers to the deed?—My son Charles.

3686. Who else?—My daughter.

3687. Which daughter?—My eldest one, that is now dying.

3688. Have you any other son?—No.

3689. Have you any brother?—No; he is dead this morning.

3690. Did you procure the signatures of any of your personal friends to the deed; did you ask any of your personal friends?—I dare say I might.

3691. Which of your personal friends did you ask to sign the deed?—I do not recollect; I might ask a great many. A great many had shares, in consequence of my interference at Greenwich.

3692. In the week on which that affair took place at your office, did you procure any signature that week to the deed?—No, I do not think I did; I might ask persons, if the secretary asked me.

3693. Do you know a person who goes by the name of Capt. Garth?—Yes, I do.

3694. Who

3694. Who is he?—He is a captain of a ship.

3695. What ship?—I do not know that he has any ship.

3696. Who is Captain Garth?—He was captain a little while ago of a ship from Sierra Leone to London.

3697. How long ago?—Perhaps two months.

3698. Is he not frequently employed by you?—No.

3699. Do you mean to say you never employed him?—No, he employs me.

3700. In what way?—I am a broker.

3701. What business have you done for Captain Garth?—I have made 100 *l.* a day by him.

3702. What have you done for him?—I have chartered a ship for him.

3703. Do you not know he is in needy circumstances?—I do not.

3704. Do you not know he is a subscriber for 7,500*l.*?—I think his name is to it.

3705. Did you not ask him?—I think I did.

3706. Where?—If I asked him, it must have been on 'Change.

3707. Was that the week the affair took place at your office?—No, I should think not; it must have been before.

3708. If you do business for him, would you trust him for 100 *l.*?—Yes, 500*l.*

3709. You state that to the Committee?—Yes, or 1,000*l.*

3710. Would you trust him with 7,500*l.*?—I do not know.

3711. Inform the Committee what other persons you induced to sign the deed, and when?—I do not think I induced any one else.

3712. You induced Rowley, did not you?—No; I do not think I asked Rowley to sign the deed.

3713. Do you recollect any Quaker being present at your office at that time when the interview took place?—No, I do not; there might be several persons there: I did not make any secret of it.

3714. What do you mean that you did not make a secret of it?—When the deed was brought, any person present might have heard the conversation; I did not know there was any harm.

3715. *Chairman.*] Was there a Quaker gentleman there that morning?—I cannot say; there is a Quaker gentleman that comes very often to my counting-house.

3716. What is his name?—White.

3717. Mr. *Parkes.*] What is he?—A ship-broker.

3718. Was it Richard Hammond White?—No.

3719. What is he?—I do not know such a person.

3720. What is his Christian name?—He is a ship-broker in the coal trade, and lived formerly at Rochester.

3721. Is that Bartholomew White?—No.

3722. Do you know him?—Yes.

3723. Who is he?—A clerk of mine.

3724. How long has he been so?—Three or four years.

3725. Is he any relation to the other White?—No.

3726. What salary do you pay him? is he a subscriber for 4,500*l.*?—I do not know.

3727. Did you ask him to subscribe?—No.

3728. Did you know he was on the list?—I think he told me so.

3729. What salary do you pay him?—I think it is 70 *l.* or 80 *l.* a year he has; if he works well, he gets more; he is a very respectable young man; his father is a large ship-owner.

3730. What is his age?—I should think 19, perhaps 20; I will not be sure; or more, it may be.

3731. Mr. *Hill.*] Do you know what his age is?—I do not know.

3732. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is he a minor?—I should think he is; I will not be sure.

3733. Are you quite ignorant of the circumstances under which he signed?—No, I am not; because he told me that, owing to his having had a deal of trouble in copying the petitions, Mr. Green asked him to sign, and he would not call upon him to pay the deposit; but he might take the shares when the Bill was passed, and have the premiums attached to them; that is what he told me.

3734. Were there any persons at Greenwich you asked to sign the deed, that week?—No.

3735. Do you recollect the names of any persons you applied to to sign the deed, without paying their deposit?—No, I do not.

3736. Do you know anything of your son, Charles Frederick Hamond, signing?—Yes.

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3737. Where did he sign?—At the office.

3738. Did you send him to sign?—I think I did.

3739. What number of shares did he sign for?—I said he should have 102; he wrote for them unknown to me.

3740. When did you send him to the office?—I do not know the day when.

3741. Was it that week?—No, I think it was before then.

3742. Do you know anything about what time it was?—No; it was in February I think; I had promised him shares for a long while, and indeed I had given them to him a long while, as I had done all my children.

3743. Who is Munden Hammond?—I do not know.

3744. You stated to the Committee, you had not paid any deposit at all?—I had not.

3745. Did you pay in respect of your son's or daughters' shares?—No, I did not pay a shilling; it was the understanding, when I became chairman, I was not to pay any deposits; and although the sum appears all in my name, it would be distributed among the gentlemen who assisted me with the petitions.

3746. Who had you that understanding with?—With Mr. Green.

3747. Do you know the residence of Captain Garth?—No, I do not; I think he has got some very respectable relations of his, maltsters; he resides there.

3748. Where?—I think it is Battersea.

3749. What is the name of his relations?—I do not recollect; they have a corn stand in the old market, and they are great maltsters; they are about buying a ship for him now, and he has property in his own right.

3750. To your knowledge?—Yes.

3751. To what amount?—I cannot say; he has very great expectations from his uncle, I have heard him say, and that is what he is waiting at home for; his uncle is very old.

3752. Do you know anything about his circumstances?—No, I do not; only you asked me the question just now.

3753. *Chairman.*] Who is William Hamond, 2, Kennington-lane?—He is my father.

3754. For 10 shares?—He is my father.

3755. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are any of your children above age?—Yes.

3756. Which of them?—My eldest daughter.

3757. The other is under age?—Yes.

3758. *Chairman.*] Is this the same William Hamond, 2, Kennington-lane, for 50 shares?—I dare say that is my brother; his name is William.

3759. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who were the members of the Greenwich committee besides yourself?—It is in print.

3760. Who were they?—I do not recollect.

3761. Who took any active part in the local management?—Two or three.

3762. Name them?—Mr. Collingwood; and I dare say he attended occasionally.

3763. *Chairman.*] Who were the most active?—I was.

3764. Who besides yourself?—Mr. Collingwood was very active.

3765. Mr. Collingwood and you were the most active?—Yes.

3766. Are you not a magistrate for Kent?—I am.

3767. You have been rather active in political matters in Greenwich?—Very much so.

3768. The acquaintances you have formed by the part you have taken in politics have given you some little influence in that neighbourhood?—I should say it did.

3769. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you a shareholder in other companies?—Yes.

3770. What other companies?—Several, I am sorry to say; the Blackwall, I have 300 or 400 shares in.

3771. Have you dealt in the shares of companies?—Yes, I have bought and sold, whenever I have felt inclined.

3772. Taking your attention back to the circumstances connected with you and Mr. Rowley, when did Mr. Rowley come to you for the additional sum?—I think the day after.

3773. Had you any information whatever from him, of the characters of the parties who signed?—Certainly not.

3774. Nor of the amount?—Nor of the amount.

3775. Did you know anything of Mr. Castello before he was brought to you?—No.

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3776. When did you see Mr. Green, the first time after that affair?—I think I saw him on the morning, prior to the public meeting at Greenwich.

3777. What day was it?—I think it was Friday.

3778. Did he tell you then he had got enough subscriptions?—I think he did.

3779. Did he ask you anything about the amount procured, through your means, by Mr. Rowley?—No, he did not.

3780. Did you not know from Mr. Rowley that they were an inferior class of persons?—Certainly not.

3781. Being so connected with other companies, and a shareholder in other companies, did you ever hear of any individuals being paid to sign the subscription deed?—No, I do not think I ever did; I never asked the question.

3782. Again, recollect, whether there were any parties that week, besides those you mentioned, whose signatures you were instrumental in obtaining?—I do not recollect any.

3783. Did you give any information to Mr. Green, or to Mr. Smith, as to the parties likely to sign?—No, I do not recollect that I did; I am sure I did not.

3784. In the case of the sums expended for the company, which you have alluded to, on occasions when you went to the secretary for reimbursement: did you leave with him a memorandum?—No.

3785. Do you state you always took it away?—I did not take any memorandum; I merely took a pen, and put down what I had paid; and immediately they gave me a draft for it. I did not leave any account.

3786. You have expended some hundred pounds for the company, without rendering to them any account?—No doubt of it.

3787. And you were reimbursed in that manner?—Yes.

3788. How many committee meetings have you had in Greenwich?—I am sure I cannot tell; a great many, both in Greenwich and Woolwich too.

3789. What was the average of the persons who attended those meetings?—I am sure I cannot tell.

3790. Did you ever find half-a-dozen?—Yes, more than that; at Woolwich 20 or 30; they were chiefly held at Woolwich.

Mr. *Hill* stated that nothing occurred to him to ask Mr. Hamond at present; but he would reserve his right to cross-examine him, till he had an opportunity of reflecting upon it in the course of the evening.

William Austin, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

William Austin.

3791. WHAT are you?—A law-stationer.

3792. Where?—In Chancery-lane.

3793. What number?—No. 37.

3794. Were you in the office of Messrs. Currie and Woodgate?—I were.

3795. *Chairman.*] In what capacity?—A clerk.

3796. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you executed the subscription deed of the Kent Railway Company?—I have.

3797. What for?—Five hundred shares.

3798. What amount of money?—£.25,000.

3799. Who requested you to sign?—Mr. Woodgate.

3800. Upon what occasion?—Upon the occasion of having brought some work to the office. I brought some work I had done for them to the office.

3801. Where did you sign the deed?—At Cornhill.

3802. Did anybody accompany you there?—Mr. Neville.

3803. Another of the clerks in the office?—Yes.

3804. Did you see him sign to the same amount?—I did.

3805. You saw Mr. Neville sign?—Yes.

3806. He is a salaried clerk in the office?—Yes.

3807. Are you of age?—Yes.

3808. What is your age?—About 22 or 23.

3809. About?—Twenty-two I am.

3810. Are you sure you are 21?—Yes, I believe I am 22 next April.

3811. You are not 22?—No.

3812. *Chairman.* Were you of age when you signed the deed?—Yes.

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3813. WHERE is your residence?—35, Mansell-street, Goodman's-fields.

3814. What is your age?—Twenty-five next birth-day.

3815. You executed the subscription deed of the Kent Company?—I did.

3816. What amount?—£. 25,000.

3817. What day was it you executed it?—It was three weeks last Monday; I think the 13th of February.

3818. Did you accompany Mr. Austin to the office to do so?—Yes, I did.

3819. Had you ever seen Mr. Green, the secretary, before?—Never.

3820. Who requested you to sign the deed?—Mr. Woodgate.

3821. Did anything pass between you, on the subject of your signing it?—No.

3822. Merely your compliance with his request?—Yes.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Dugdale.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	Sir E. Wilmott.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. J. Young.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

James Walker, Esq., called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*,

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3823. YOU reside in Great George-street, and are a civil engineer?—Yes.

3824. Your name appears upon the prospectus of the Kent Railway Company, the projected line from London to Dover, as the principal engineer; I believe you were so?—Yes.

3825. From what period?—Do you ask me what period I was appointed?

3826. Yes?—Not having access to the books of the company, I do not know when the appointment took place.

3827. When was it communicated to you, and accepted by you, that you had been appointed to the office of engineer?—The resolution, as far as I am informed, is on the 29th April 1836; that is the resolution that I be applied to, to act as consulting engineer; I think that is the language of it: then between that and the 3d of May, I believe, I had some conferences with the chairman.

3828. Who was the chairman?—Mr. Phillpotts, who, on the 3d of May, seems to have informed his brother directors that I had agreed to examine the country; but I think—I am sure—at that time I declined either being recognized as engineer to the line, or as committing myself in any way to say it was a feasible line, and on which I should allow my name to be published as connected with. I have, within the last five minutes, since I have seen you (Mr. Parkes), referred to some documents, one of which is in my hand: "Resolved, that Mr. Walker be requested, at his earliest convenience, to make such survey of the country from London to the Kent coast and the harbours, and every point affecting the facility of a ready communication with the Continent, as may enable him to determine upon and recommend a line, embracing to the greatest extent the interests of the Government in its various departments, and the intervening towns and country."

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3829. Mr. *Hill*.] What is the date of that?—The 29th of April 1836. Might I take the liberty to ask the date of that prospectus you referred to?

3830. Mr. *Parkes*.] The 1st of November 1836?—Yes; at that time, I had accepted the office of consulting engineer, having previously gone over the country, and reported favourably of the line.

3831. What time was that?—Previous to that date; I apprehend that that is the first time in which I appear before the public as consulting engineer to the undertaking; but I had been engaged making surveys, from the time I have already stated.

3832. Then you think the first authorized publication of your name on the prospectus, as a project from London to Dover, *viâ* Greenwich, Woolwich, Dartford,

ford, Gravesend, Stroud, Rochester, Chatham, Sittingbourn, Faversham, Canterbury and Sandwich and Deal, also to Margate, was the first of November 1836?—I cannot answer with respect to the 1st of November 1836. I only say, I declined allowing my name to come before the public, as consulting engineer, or connected with the line, till I had examined and made myself acquainted with its feasibility.

3833. At what time had you so far completed the survey, as to give your name to it?—I have three reports in my hand, dated the 5th of August, the 16th of August, and the 11th of October.

3834. Were not your first instructions to survey from London to Ramsgate, not including Dover?—I do not recollect that. I have read the instructions that I had received; but certainly I would say, that whatever my instructions were, I should not have considered I had acted the part which as a professional man I ought to do, if I had looked at a line to Ramsgate, without including the consideration of afterwards going to Dover; and I would not have done it.

3835. Are your three reports complete reports on the line, including Dover?—I cannot answer that, without referring to them. I am quite ready to read them all, if it is wished.

3836. Were you, during the period of those three reports, in communication with the solicitors, or the board of directors?—Yes, I was in communication with all; not much with the board of directors; a good deal with the chairman and the solicitors.

3837. Which solicitors?—Mr. Vallance, Mr. Woodgate, and Mr. Macdougal, all of whom I have seen.

3838. Has Mr. Alfred Burgess signed with you, as one of the engineers; your partner?—Yes.

3839. What personal survey of the country did you make, as to time? what time did you give to it yourself, personally?—I have made, at different times, surveys along the whole line. I cannot now answer what time I gave to it; but a great deal of my time was taken up, either on surveys, or matters connected with the survey, in the interval between my instructions and the report given in.

3840. Which report do you allude to?—All of them.

3841. During the period that was interposed, from the time of the first to that of the third report alluded to, was the subject of the probable cost of the undertaking matter of discussion between you and either of the solicitors, or any member of the board, or with the board?—I do not recollect that it was.

3842. Did your reports comprise any statement on the subject of expense?—To the best of my recollection, not. It is quite inconsistent with my usual habits, to give any idea of the expense, without going into detail.

3843. The date of your third report is in October?—Yes, it is.

3844. After the third report, did you make any other written report to the board, or your partner?—I am not sure that I did; I almost think not. The plans were delivered in before the 30th of November. I afterwards attended meetings of the directors, and had communications with the solicitors.

3845. The plans were delivered in, to comply with the Standing Orders?—Yes.

3846. What day in November?—The 30th of November.

3847. On the 30th of November, you were generally informed of the line of country in detail, through which the projected railway would pass?—Generally.

3848. At that time, did any communication take place between you and the solicitors, or the board, as to the cost?—No. When I say that, I have no doubt, at the meetings I attended, the subject of cost might be talked about; but I am quite sure, from my general way of doing business, that not one word escaped me, either verbally or in writing, that gave the directors any reason to suppose I had committed myself in any way, as to the estimate.

3849. Were you informed from the prospectuses or the advertisements you saw, that the published capital of the company amounted to 2,000,000 *l.*?—Yes; I had seen certainly that prospectus.

3850. You were accordingly aware that publicity was given to the capital of the company being 2,000,000 *l.*?—Yes; you are aware, in the preceding year, that Col. Landmann was engineer to the company.

3851. After the 30th of November, did you make any estimate of the expense?—I did.

3852. At what period?—The estimate was begun a very few days after the plan was deposited, and, perhaps, I may say that on the 6th of December I received the

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the resolution of the directors, directing me to prepare estimates, preparatory to the application to Parliament. I think it is proper I should state here, that the directors, when I applied for a resolution to do that, rather expected that my proceeding with the estimates was in the course of the instructions they had given me, without fresh instructions. I did not so consider it, and, I think, I said so. Upon that explanation taking place, a communication that I should proceed with the estimate, was directly made to me.

3853. Can you produce that document?—I do not know that I can, or not.

3854. Do you know the date?—Yes, it was the 6th of December, I think.

3855. State to the Committee, to save time, what you understood was the general purport of that resolution?—I think I have stated it already. I have stated, that I did not consider the instructions I had received, to prepare and deposit plans, embraced that kind of estimate that I think necessary to prepare to go to Parliament; and I have stated that, I believe, the directors thought otherwise. The resolution of the 6th December simply states, that I be ordered to proceed with the estimates, preparatory to the application to Parliament.

3856. I believe sometimes those companies' estimates are made by persons distinct from persons responsible for the plans?—In almost all cases I have seen, the estimates, when given to the public, are made by gentlemen of your profession more than mine.

3857. *Chairman.*] How far do you think solicitors are usually qualified to prepare such estimates?—Just as well qualified as engineers, unless engineers have time to go into a detail of the estimate; and therefore, whenever an estimate appears at the commencement of these things, whether made by engineer or solicitor, it is good for nothing; but every gentleman knows at the very first commencement of these schemes an estimate appears.

3858. You consider yourself, with all your experience, unqualified to give an off-hand estimate?—Yes, I do; and that is the cause of a great deal of the trouble of this Committee.

3859. Mr. *Parkes.*] You are aware that the great object was the consolidation of the Gravesend and the Dover lines, and that the surveys had been made by Col. Landmann and others?—I have already stated, that Col. Landmann made plans, and probably made the estimate to which you have referred; I have seen his plans, but not his estimate.

3860. After having received the resolution to prepare estimates, did you proceed to do so?—Yes.

3861. And commenced early in December?—Yes.

3862. What progress did you make in the estimate, so as to have a general view of the probable cost of the line?—A general view of the probable cost of the line is not to be had, until the whole figures are carried out, and the sum arising from them ascertained. I can tell you when that took place; it was about the 4th of February, as regards the engineering department.

3863. Then we are to understand that your first definite opinion, as to the probable cost of the line, was formed, from a calculation of the data, about the 4th of February?—Yes, that is to say, the engineering department; and then I had not received from the surveyor, Mr. George Smith, the amount of the purchases.

3864. Do you recollect what the engineering estimate came to, distinct from the purchase?—Upwards of 2,200,000*l.*

3865. When were you informed by Mr. George Smith of his calculation of the purchases?—I should think it might be about the time, not confining myself to the day, which I am going to state; it was about the 10th or 11th of February.

3866. I presume, from your experience in inland water navigation and railway companies, you are aware that the purchase is a very considerable item in the gross costs of the line?—Yes.

3867. And especially when it passes through large or near populous towns?—Yes, surely.

3868. Have you stated to the Committee what the estimate of the purchases amounted to, as given by Mr. George Smith?—No, I have not; you have not asked me.

3869. What was it?—Three quarters of a million.

3870. Did that comprehend, by the delivery of that particular of Mr. George Smith, all the necessary data for you to fix the gross estimate, as the responsible engineer of the company?—Yes.

3871. Had you any communication with the solicitors, or the board, immediately after being furnished with such data by Mr. George Smith?—Yes, I had, a day or two afterwards. *James Walker*, Esq. 11 March 1837.

3872. Who with?—I think, one of the secretaries, Mr. Smith; but I have no doubt it was within a day, or two or three, after that. I made my communication to my employers, either through the secretary or some of the officers.

3873. Was it verbal, or in writing?—I think, first verbal.

3874. *Chairman.*] To whom?—Mr. Smith, the secretary.

3875. Where?—At my house, in Great George-street.

3876. Mr. *Parkes.*] What other communications, verbal or written, did you make to any of the directors, or any of the official gentlemen connected with the board, respecting the cost?—I do not remember any.

3877. I thought you stated, in a preceding answer to a preceding question, you had other communications, after the first communication with Mr. Smith, on the subject of the estimate?—To what dates does the question apply.

3878. Immediately after the 4th or 5th of February, have the goodness to state to the Committee all your communications, verbal or written, with the board, since you were informed of Mr. George Smith's estimate of the purchase?—I cannot state all the communications I have had, verbal or written. I think the only written communication, if it may be said to be with the board, was the preparation of the estimate to be delivered in to the Private Bill Office.

3879. When was that prepared?—I think it was prepared about the 15th.

3880. Had you any verbal communications, preceding that writtten paper, with the board or solicitors upon the subject?—Yes; I have already stated, I think, I made a communication to Mr. Smith about the 13th.

3881. When did you receive the communication from Mr. George Smith as to the purchases?—I think, the 10th or 11th.

3882. Had you had applications from the solicitors for a written estimate, previous to the day on which you prepared it?—I had frequent applications from them, to know what the amount of the estimate would be; I have no doubt of it.

3883. Did you give them any idea it would be above 2,000,000*l.*?—It is very likely I might give them an idea, but I would not state any amount, until I had given the subject itself a consideration. After the 4th of February I received the surveyor's estimate.

3884. After the preparation of the estimate and its signature, to whom was it delivered by you or to your knowledge?—I cannot answer that.

3885. Do you recollect whether you or Mr. Burgess delivered the estimate, for the purpose of lodgment in the Private Bill Office?—Where?

3886. Into whose hands did it pass from yours?—I cannot say.

3887. *Chairman.*] Did you deliver it yourself, or some person in your office?—Some person in the office. I have no doubt I signed it.

3888–9. Can you find it out?—Yes; I can tell you.

Mr. *Michael Borthwick*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

3890. YOU are in Mr. Walker's office?—Yes. Mr. *M. Borthwick.*

3891. To whom was the estimate delivered?—To Mr. Woodgate, on the 15th.

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3892. HAD you any communication with the board, at any time after the 15th, on the subject of the estimate, or with the solicitors?—Yes, with the solicitors, I dare say I had frequently. They complained rather, on their part, that the amount was greater than they had reason to expect. I think that was the only thing. *James Walker*, Esq.

3893. Had you any interview with the board at their offices?—I do not remember to have had any.

3894. Had you any interviews with the chairman, in which the probable estimate was the subject matter of conversation, previous to this time?—I do not remember; previous—previous to what time?

3895. Previous to your having signed the estimate?—I have no doubt I had; but I am sure of this, that in the conversations I had with the chairman, there was nothing more said on the subject of the estimate, than that he wished (and he has expressed always) that I should, as a professional man, state the sum I thought the work could be done for, and make a report accordingly to the directors.

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directors. The subject of the estimate was frequently talked of, but no alteration, or any attempt at alteration, made by me.

3896. Knowing the advertised capital of the company was two millions, both in January and February, had you not an impression on your mind, that the cost would very considerably exceed that, from the data collected?—I had none till the 4th of February, any more than any gentleman might have who forms an idea of the expense of railroads. An engineer, who is in the habit of doing things in detail, is just as little competent to make a guess estimate as any other man.

3897. There are some very expensive parts of the line in crossing the Medway and getting into Dover, and one or two other parts, for instance?—Yes, and getting through Greenwich and Woolwich also.

3898. Have you laid down the line to go through all these towns enumerated in the prospectus? is the deposited line to pass through all those towns, or immediately adjacent to them?—Yes.

3899. All of them?—Yes.

3900. Is the Committee to understand, you had no responsibility whatever for the contribution to the estimate made by George Smith, as to the value of land?—Oh, certainly, I know nothing about it.

3901. *Chairman.*] Is he employed by you?—No, by the company.

3902. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you communications with any other particular directors, who took a leading part in the direction, other than Mr. Phillpotts?—No; I have had communications, conversations I would rather say, perhaps, but none deserving the name of communications on business, excepting with the chairman, unless at the board.

3903. How many board meetings have you attended?—I cannot say.

3904. Did you attend any in February?—Yes, I have no doubt I did; that I cannot answer now. If I knew the object of your question, I should be glad to tell you all I know about it.

3905. Your partner and yourself signed the estimate?—Yes, I believe so.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

3906. The name of Smith has been introduced: George Smith; is that the surveyor for the Mercers' Company?—Yes.

3907. A gentleman of very great respectability?—Yes, very much so; of great experience in making plans; I believe, none more so in London.

3908. He was employed to survey the land, and ascertain the value of the land required for the railway?—Yes, and buildings.

3909. Were you ever appointed consulting engineer to the South Eastern line?—An application was made to me by the directors of the South Eastern line, to undertake the office of consulting engineer.

3910. Was there any resolution to that effect communicated to you, that you were appointed consulting engineer to the South Eastern?—Yes.

3911. Did you accept it or decline it?—I declined it.

3912. Why did you decline it?—There were a number of reasons; one was that which I have already stated, my determination never to allow my name to appear as consulting engineer to any company or parties, without having examined the objects of the party, and made myself acquainted with the practicability of the work and its feasibility; that was one reason.

3913. Was there any other reason that induced you to decline?—What I may call, the subordinate offices, were filled already; a very respectable gentleman, Mr. Palmer, was acting as engineer to the company; and I dare say the fear of not being complete master of the thing, and interfering with his appointment, and creating a jealousy, operated on my mind also; but the great reason I had for declining it, was, my total ignorance of the scheme. I have my letter in my hand, or a copy of it, and, with the leave of the Chairman, I will read it; it is addressed to the secretary, Mr. Yates. "Sir, I am obliged by the offer of being appointed consulting engineer to your railway; but my total ignorance of the line, and my inability, during the present month, to attend to the business, prevents my accepting it." This moment it occurs to me, that my reason for referring to the present month is, that I was expecting to have my name published as engineer to the company, whose plans were published the 30th of November, my appointment being made the 30th of October.

3914. Have you any knowledge of the line of country over which it was intended to carry the South Eastern?—Not any professional knowledge to enable me to form a judgment.

3915. Not to enable you to form a rough judgment of the feasibility of the scheme?—No.

3916. That did not enter into your consideration, in declining the appointment; the circumstance of the line of country through which the railway was to proceed, and the impracticability of the scheme altogether?—No, I think not; I have no doubt that I thought it a very round-about way to go to Dover; and, while the business was in Parliament, I had heard the nature of the evidence, as to the line, and perhaps formed an unfavourable opinion upon it; but I do not think it actuated me, in inducing me to refuse.

3917. Had you any previous knowledge of the directors of the Kent Railway, before you accepted the appointment of engineer?—Yes, I knew Mr. Phillpotts intimately, and Mr. Borradaile intimately; I do not think I knew any of the other directors.

3918. Did you know both those gentlemen to be persons of very high respectability?—Yes; and I will say now, that every communication I have had with the chairman, and they have been very numerous, has strengthened me in that opinion.

3919. Did he appear to devote himself to the undertaking?—Yes, very much indeed; and at all times has said, unless I could find the line really was the best for the country, and without that it would not be the best for the subscribers, he was determined he would have nothing to do with it; nothing could be more liberal than Mr. Phillpotts' communications to me, at all times, upon the subject.

3920. Did the conduct of the directors satisfy you, that their objects were the same as those of Mr. Phillpotts, to obtain the best line for the public?—Yes; I have had no reason to suppose otherwise: but I have no positive reason to suppose it, except from their resolutions, which all lead to that point; my communications were entirely with the chairman, as the organ of the committee.

3921. You say it is impossible for an engineer, accustomed to details, to approach very near to the truth in making a rough estimate of the expense of a railway?—I think it is.

3922. Do you think, when persons are sitting down to make that sort of estimate, that taking 25,000*l.* a mile would be a fair and reasonable mode of arriving at the calculation?—As to being fair and reasonable, your observation, after what I have said, must have reference to the sum of 25,000*l.* I think it is a large sum as a guess estimate, and I think it is probable, if I had been called upon, and consented to give a guess estimate as to railways, I should not have put it higher; but, as a professional man, I have always declined doing so.

3923. Were you aware of the amount of the estimate of the Gravesend line and the Dover line, that had been surveyed by Colonel Landmann?—I was aware of the 2,000,000*l.*; not more than that.

3924. That the one was 1,000,000*l.* and the other 600,000*l.*?—No, I do not recollect ever hearing that; the estimate I have made, has been entirely from my own surveys, without reference to any former surveys.

3925. Did you know that the estimate of the South Eastern line was 1,400,000*l.*?—Yes, I have heard that to be the case.

Mr. *Thesiger* proposed to go into an examination with respect to a model of the Kent line, in its passage through Greenwich Park, which was produced; but upon a suggestion from the Committee, and a statement from Mr. Parkes, that he did not suppose that Mr. Walker would lend his name to a bubble line, the examination was waived.

3926. Mr. *Thesiger*.] Would you have lent your name to any concern you knew to be a bubble line, or bubble scheme?—No, I should not.

3927. Do you think you have experience enough to judge whether a scheme is a bubble scheme or not?—As regards the engineering department, I have, or ought to have.

3928. Has this scheme anything of the character of a bubble scheme, in your judgment?—As far as my knowledge goes, and my communications with the directors, and the detail survey I have made of the line and its practicability, this being, with certain difficulties, the best line between London and Dover, I think it has nothing of the bubble nature about it; but the learned counsel is

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aware, that with respect to the question of the shares, and all that sort of thing, I know nothing.

3929. *Chairman.*] The opinion you have delivered, is confined to the engineering department; as to the financial department and the mode of raising the money, you have no knowledge?—No, only as regards the estimate, and the communications I have had with the directors; who certainly did not appear to me to be what I should call bubble men.

3930. If it had come to your knowledge, as the advertised engineer of any railway, or other undertaking, depending, in your opinion, upon a *bonâ fide* subscription for the accomplishment of the project, that many hundred thousand pounds, or a million of money, was not a *bonâ fide* subscription, would you not, on obtaining such knowledge, request your name to be withdrawn from any connexion with such company?—My answer to that is, it would require some explanation or definition, as to what is meant by *bonâ fide* subscription.

3931. Suppose we give this interpretation to *bonâ fide* subscription: whether they are men of substance, or men in very needy circumstances, who are subscribers to a very large proportion of the whole amount of the estimate?—Will you allow me, with your explanation of *bonâ fide*, to take the question as previously put to me?

3932. Yes?—If a large proportion of the subscription were by men whom you call men of straw, and the directors were aware of it, I should certainly have nothing to do with it. I was taking the liberty to observe that the question, as first framed, went from many hundred thousand pounds to a million; it is fair, I should say, (and without taking blame to myself, or saying that due diligence was not used,) as the estimate exceeded the notion of the directors and all parties, they not being informed of the amount till the 13th or 14th, I should be very much disposed, before I declined the appointment, to make some allowance for persons who had, from the excess of my estimate, got subscriptions up to comply with the Standing Orders of the House; but if the directors had anything to do with it, I should decline acting with such directors all.

3933. Whether the directors were or were not cognizant of a large proportion of the subscribers not being men of substance, if it came to your knowledge that a large proportion of the subscribers were not men of substance, should you like to attach your name to the prospectus of a company, supported by subscribers of that character?—No.

3934. Mr. *Young.*] Is it any part of the duty of an engineer to give an opinion upon the competency of the subscribers?—Certainly not.

3935. He is employed by the directors, and if they are men of character and property, that is sufficient for him?—Not quite that: notwithstanding what has been said, if I was aware, however respectable the directors were, that a large proportion of the capital was put down by men of straw, who could not pay it, and that the scheme would fail in consequence, I should decline it.

Mr. *Thomas Lamie Murray*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *T. L. Murray.*

3936. YOU are a resident in London?—Yes, in Hill-street, Berkeley-square.

3937. I believe you have been extensively engaged in public companies, in three or four very large public companies in the metropolis?—I have been personally engaged in three.

3938. You were originally secretary to the National Provincial Bank of England, and secretary and manager of the new Irish Bank; I do not know the name?—I was secretary to the National Provincial Bank of England, and I am a director at present in the National Bank of Ireland.

3939. Are you a member of the direction of the Kent Railway?—I am, I believe.

3940. Have you ever acted as such, or attended any board?—Never.

3941. When did you first become a director of the Kent Railway Company?—I believe I was elected the day on which the honourable Chairman brought forward the petition before the House.

3942. Were you at all cognizant of the state of the company, as to its subscription list at that time?—I was not personally cognizant of the state of the subscription list; but I was informed that it was all perfectly right.

3943. What

3943. What was your introduction to that company, as a shareholder, or as a director?—I was asked to join the direction.

3944. Who by?—By my friend Mr. Ronald, also a member of the direction.

3945. Do you recollect the period?—I think, about a week previously.

3946. Are you a subscriber to the company?—Yes.

3947. To what amount?—£. 20,000.

3948. Have you executed the deed?—I have.

3949. Have you paid any deposit, or taken out any scrip?—No.

3950. State to the Committee the circumstances under which you became a subscriber to the Kent Railway?—I had been previously asked to use any exertion that was in my power, to promote the object of the railway. I had examined various lines before the Legislature, and it was my opinion that the line adopted by the Kent Railway was most likely to conduce to a proper result, and that the prospects of the company, as regards obtaining the Bill, were equal to any of the other lines; and having some friends on the direction, I was induced to join it.

3951. You are on another direction or two, with Mr. Ronald?—I am.

3952. And in the habit of meeting him?—I am in the direction of the Irish National Bank and the Irish Waste Society, with him.

3953. When and where did you sign the subscription contract of the Kent Railway?—The week previous to my being elected a director.

3954. Do you recollect the day?—It was on the Tuesday.

3955. Was it in February?—It was a week previous to the presentation of the petition; it was necessary I should have signed the deed, that I should be elected a director.

3956. What are the circumstances under which you signed, for that large amount?—The circumstances were; I called on the day I signed the deed, by the request of Mr. Ronald. He said it was necessary I should be a shareholder, before I was proposed. I did not call with the intention of signing the deed at that time; but the deed was brought up, and I signed it.

3957. Who brought it up?—One of the secretaries.

3958. Do you know which?—I think it was Mr. Green.

3959. Had you any communication with him, or with either of the solicitors, on the subject of the subscription list, before you signed it?—I asked——

3960. Whom?—I addressed myself to any person that was in the room, I think Mr. Green, I am not certain about Mr. Green, if the subscription was perfectly right, and I was told by him, that they were all perfectly right. I asked if they had complied with the Standing Orders, and I asked one of the solicitors, as regards the other portion of the line; and they said, they did not believe there was a dot to an *i* or a cross to a *t* that was not perfectly right.

3961. Which do you allude to?—I think, Mr. Woodgate.

3962. Have you any knowledge of the date on which you signed it?—It was on the Tuesday of the week before the petition was presented.

3963. Is it usual for you to sign for such an amount as 20,000 *l.*, in the deeds of the companies in which you have an interest?—I believe I have never signed any Parliamentary deed but three times in my life. I am not in the habit of taking shares, or dealing in shares at all, except in those companies in which I become an active party.

3964. State to the Committee any particular circumstances which induced you to sign for such an amount?—I would have preferred signing for ten thousand, which I mentioned at the time.

3965. To whom?—To Mr. Ronald. He said that almost all the directors had signed the deed for 20,000 *l.*, and I signed the deed for the same amount, of course.

3966. Did any other connexion or friend of yours sign it?—None. I know nothing of it, except what I have mentioned.

3967. At that period, had you any information of the *bonâ fide* character of the subscription list, which induced you to commit yourself to such an amount?—I previously inquired who were the directors; and having looked down the list, and knowing almost everybody in London, I was satisfied of their respectability; and I asked if they had complied with the Standing Orders, and I was informed in the affirmative.

3968. Who informed you?—Mr. Ronald. I have had no communication with any other person but him.

3969. Do you mean that you were given to understand, that a sufficient sum had

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had been subscribed to comply with the Standing Orders?—My impression was, that a great deal more had been signed. If I had thought that 10,000 *l.* from me had been necessary to make up the list, I should not have signed; I was under the impression, it was perfect.

3970. Having been an active secretary to one important public company, and managing director to another company, upon the publication of the prospectuses of such public companies or banking companies, railways and waste lands, and other projects, are you informed of the duty of the managing director or secretary in testing the responsibility of applicants for shares?—In every company I have been connected with, we have been most particular in getting up our list.

3971. Was not it, and is it not, notorious to you and other persons active in companies, that many persons in needy circumstances are in the habit of applying for shares, upon seeing the advertisement?—Yes.

3972. Have you not seen applications for many thousand shares from such persons?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The question was waived.

3973. Had you been a secretary, managing director, or a member of the provisional direction of the Kent Railway Company, should you not have deemed it your duty to have strictly investigated the general character of the applicants for shares in that company?—To the utmost of my ability.

3974. Do you not think it is a necessary duty towards the *bonâ fide* subscribers?—I think it is the duty of all parties, engaged in companies of this kind, to stand before the public in a respectable manner.

3975. If you were aware of a considerable proportion of the subscription list of this company not representing respectable and responsible persons, should you have committed yourself for the sum you have, or any sum?—Certainly not.

Mr. *Daniel Edward Stephens,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *D. E. Stephens.*

3976. YOU were formerly in business in the city of London?— Yes.

3977. And long connected with London?—Yes.

3978. You are generally acquainted with the City?—Yes.

3979. Were you employed by me, two or three weeks since, to make inquiries into the resources and characters of several of the persons on the subscription list of the Kent Company, stated to be subscribers?—I was.

3980. Did I furnish you with an alphabetical list of the subscribers to that company?—You did.

3981. In pursuance of my instructions, did you make inquiries as to the residence and character and circumstances of several of the parties entered in that copy of the subscription list?—I did.

3982. Did you inquire after Mr. Moses Ansell, 74, Leman-street, merchant, 4,500*l.*?—Yes.

3983. Did you inquire at 74, Leman-street, whether that was the residence of Moses Ansell?—I did.

3984. Did you learn whether it was his residence?—I ascertained Moses Ansell does not live there, but H. Ansell does.

3985. Did you discover whether there was any person of the name of Moses Ansell?—They could not tell me whether there was or not.

3986. Who did you make your inquiry of?—Of a female who answered the door.

3987. What was her name?—Could not ascertain her name; she said her name was Ansell.

3988. Did you make inquiries after John Brown, 33, Gerrard-street, Soho, merchant, 9,500*l.*?—I did.

3989. Was that the place of residence of John Brown?—"Does not live there," was the answer given to me; the proprietor of the house is a person of the name of George Minter.

3990. What is George Minter?—I do not recollect.

3991. An upholsterer?—I think he is.

3992. Did he give you any reference?—No, none whatever; he could not tell where to find him.

3993. Did

3993. Did you make inquiry after James John Brown, Peckham, gentleman, 10,250*l.*; did you make inquiries at Peckham?—No, I did not make inquiries after him; it is not my evidence.

3994. Did you make inquiry after Mr. George Brown, Peckham, Surrey, gentleman, 500*l.*?—You have got the wrong evidence; it is not mine.

3995. Did you make inquiry as to Mr. James Anderson Spottiswood, 24, Austin-friars, gentleman, 750*l.*?—I did: this house is let out in offices, seven of them are occupied and three unoccupied; he is neither a clerk in any of the offices, or known to the woman of the house.

3996. Did you make inquiries after William Andrews, Dulwich, Surrey, gentleman, 12,500*l.*?—I saw Mr. Andrews himself in this House, and he stated, that he was the holder of shares in the Kent and Dover Railway, and had upwards of 5,000*l.* out in shares of various companies, and at present he could not raise 2,000*l.* upon them; that is all the communication I have had with him.

3997. Did you make inquiry after John Henry Anderson, 8, Cloak-lane, solicitor, 8,500*l.*?—I did.

3998. What was the result of your inquiry?—Messrs. Griffith and Palmer reside at 8, Cloak-lane, but they do not know Mr. Anderson; at Messrs. Burkitt and Son, 3, Cloak-lane, the clerk said Mr. Anderson called there daily, and is a solicitor; the day following, the same clerk said he did not know Mr. Anderson's address; and took for answer, did not choose to give it if he did.

3999. Did you make inquiry as to George Price, Rose-place, Globe-road, Mile-end, gentleman, 25,000*l.*?—I did.

4000. Who did he turn out to be?—The secretary to the London and Falmouth Railway Company.

4001. What sort of a house is the house in which he resided?—The house is small, in Rose-place, Globe-road, and is rated, I have seen, in the parish books, 22*l.* per annum.

4002. Do you know who Mr. George Stephen is, of Basinghall-street, gentleman, 5,000*l.*?—George Stephen, Basinghall-street, is solicitor to the London and Falmouth Railway.

4003. Did you make inquiries at Norwood for Mr. John Brothers, who is entered as a lieutenant of the navy, 45,000*l.*?—I did.

4004. What was the result of your inquiries as to that gentleman?—I was referred to make inquiries of Mr. Pearce.

4005. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Who referred you?—Some persons of whom I made inquiries. I could learn nothing of him in Norwood.

4006. Could you ascertain there was any person of that name at Norwood?—No, I could not; I travelled two miles and a half to find him out, and was referred to a Mr. Pearce, of the Black Lion, who formerly kept the Four Swans.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to evidence of what was said by other persons not at the place of residence of the individuals referred to.

The evidence as to Mr. Brothers was waived.

4007. Did you make any inquiry after Mr. Henry Barnett, 373, Strand, gentleman, 750*l.*?—No.

4008. Did you discover he was a lodger there?—I discovered he was a younger brother to a person of the name of Barnett, described as a coal-merchant, on a brass plate on the door, and that Henry Barnett lodges there.

4009. Did you make any inquiries after Frederick Brome, Woolwich, Kent, gentleman, 35,250*l.*?—I inquired at the post-office, and of the postmen who have delivered the letters for the last 10 years, and all the tax-collectors, at the garrison, the hospital, the arsenal and the dockyards, also nearly all the shops and public-houses in the town of Woolwich, and cannot find any such person.

4010. Did you make inquiries after Mr. Simon Barren, 25, Russell-street, Bedford-square, gentleman, 12,500*l.*?—Yes.

4011. Does he reside there?—I could not find any such person.

4012. Did you see him paid 4*s.* by Mr. Castello?—Yes, I did.

4013. Did you make any inquiry as to Joshua Simeon Barsebur, 3, Cummin-street, Wapping, gentleman, 3,500*l.*?—I know him to be a person in the most distressed circumstances.

4014. Have you relieved him?—Yes, I have given him three, or four, or five

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4015. Did you make inquiries after Benjamin Cope, 26, Barbican, gentleman, 250*l.*?—I did.

4016. Did you trace him there?—No such person known; and the house is kept by Lowe, a tailor and draper.

4017. Did you make any inquiry after William Charrington, of Cross-street, Hatton-garden, gentleman, 500*l.*?—I did, and found him a lodger residing in that house.

4018. What is the amount?—£.500.

4019. Did you make inquiry after James Clarke, Kingsland-road, gentleman, 3,500*l.*?—I did.

4020. What was the result of your inquiry?—The only person I can find of that name in Kingsland-road, is a policeman.

4021. Did you examine the collector's books?—Yes, I did, in Kingsland-road, West Hackney, and no such person is known of that name, except the individual that I have named.

4022. Did you make inquiry after James Clarke, of 118, Tyson-place, Kingsland-road, gentleman, 3,550*l.*?—Yes, I did, and could not find him out.

4023. Did you make inquiry after James Chipchace, Dartford, Kent, gentleman, 3,000*l.*?—I did; he is a clerk to Mr. Fooks, a solicitor, of Dartford, who is agent to the Kent Railway Company, and of the Court of Requests.

4024. Did you make an inquiry after John Webb, of Dartford, Kent, gentleman, 3,250*l.*?—I did; he is the calling-clerk to the Court of Requests, and constable for Dartford.

4025. Did you make any inquiry after Henry Cooke, 8, Hounsditch, gentleman, 9,500*l.*, subsequently signed for 2,000*l.*?—Yes.

4026. What is the answer?—No such person as Henry Cooke lives at 8, Hounsditch; his sister-in-law, Mrs. Wilson, keeps the house, which is a dancing academy; Cooke lives at Holloway. I called upon John Edward Stokes, of the Stock Exchange.

4027. Do you know Cooke?—Yes, I do, personally.

4028. Do you think he could raise 100*l.* in the world?—No.

4029. Did you make inquiry after Philip Champ, 7, Retreat-place, Hackney, accountant, 5,100*l.*?—I did.

4030. What did you find there?—I found the house rated at 14*l.* per annum; he is but in indifferent circumstances.

4031. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Who tells you this?—Persons I have made inquiry of in the neighbourhood.

4032. Mr. *Parkes.*] What was the house rated at?—£.14, in the parish books.

4033. Did you make any inquiry after William Waters Howard, 13, Raven-row, Mile-end, gentleman, 500*l.*?—Yes, I did; his house is not in the hamlet of Mile-end, but Whitechapel; the family are respectable; all the houses in Raven-row, Mile-end, are farmed; but the house in Raven-row, Whitechapel, is a respectable house.

4034. What information have you obtained about William Waters Howard?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

4035. Did you find such a person resident at 13, Raven-row, Mile-end?—I did, lodging with his father, not at Mile-end, but at Whitechapel.

4036. Do you know anything about him of your own personal knowledge?—No; I saw one of the brothers, but not the identical one.

4037. Did you make inquiries after William Hammond, 27, Lombard-street, London, agent, 4,000*l.*?—I did.

4038. And after Munden Hammond, 27, Lombard-street, agent, 9,000*l.*; and 3,000*l.* by John Hammond, of the same place?—Yes, I did. William Hammond said he had signed the deed, but had not paid any deposit; if they had been paid, his brother Munden must have paid them for him.

4039. Do you know who those three individuals are?—I have ascertained.

4040. Mr. *Thesiger.*] From whom?—From William Hammond I have ascertained, that Munden is the brother; I have since learnt, from the landlord of the house, this morning, that John is the father.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the evidence.

4041. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know what business they follow?—They are newspaper agents; the office is in a small front room up stairs, and a small room behind;

behind; the whole of the house is let out in offices; the lower part is a soda water engine, and a printer's and stationer's; the Hammonds occupying one office and a small back room.

4042. Did you make any inquiry about William Samuel Johnstone, 30, Cowper-street, City-road, accountant and broker, 5,500*l.*?—Yes, he lodges there.

4043. Mr. *Thesiger.*] You went to the house?—He lodges at this house, kept by a Mrs. Curry, midwife.

4044. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did they inform you of it?—Yes.

4045. Did you learn the probable rent?—It did not appear to be more than 18*l.* or 20*l.*

4046. Did you make any inquiry about Michael Jacobs, 9, Gloucester-street, Middlesex, gentleman, 9,500*l.*?—There are two Nos. 9, in Gloucester-street, Mile-end Old Town; the first No. 9 with the adjoining houses are all farmed property, belonging to a Mr. Monds, a tallow-chandler; they take in lodgers, and there is no such person as Michael Jacobs there known; the lower house, No. 9, is kept by a Swiss woman, who lets out one lower room to four Jews, at 6*s.* a week.

4047. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Who tells you this?—The woman of the house herself.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the evidence.

4048. Mr. *Parkes.*] By whom is the house kept?—By a Swiss woman; Michael Jacobs is not known in the second house, No. 9.

4049. Is he known in the other?—No; the name is not known in the street.

4050. Did you make inquiry after John Johnson, Mile-end, gentleman, 3,500*l.*?—I did.

4051. Did you make out any such person?—No such person is known to any collector in the hamlet of Mile-end Old Town.

4052. Did you make inquiry after Andrew John William Lyon, Freeman's-court, Cornhill, gentleman, 250*l.*?—Mr. Lyon is not to be found in Freeman's-court; but a Mr. Lyne, a respectable man, a stock-broker, says he has not anything to do with the deed, nor does he know Mr. Lyon.

4053. Do you know whether Richard Lee resides at 1, Bartholomew-lane, 5,500*l.*?—He does not reside there; I saw him paid 5*s.* for signing the deed.

4054. Does William Lumley reside at 158, Ratcliffe-highway, entered as a willow-manufacturer, 4,500*l.*?—No, he does not.

4055. Where does he reside, or how did you obtain any information of his residence?—I ascertained from a person keeping the house, that Lumley is a journeyman tallow-chandler, in very distressed circumstances; he does not even lodge in the house, but he is known to Mr. Payne, the occupier of it, and he will produce him, if it is deemed necessary, and would bear him harmless.

4056. Did you make any inquiry as to Edward Nicholas Ladd, 4, George-street, Jubilee-place, Commercial-road, coal-merchant, 2,000*l.*?—I did; he is a clerk in the Customs, at the West India Docks, and was formerly a clerk to John Barry, of Old Broad-street.

4057. Did you make any inquiry as to his salary?—He told me, himself, his salary was from 70*l.* to 80*l.* per annum.

4058. Do you know whether William Dorrington, Kennington, Surrey, agent, 2,500*l.*, resides in that place?—I do not know whether he resides there, but I saw him paid 4*s.*

4059. Have you made any inquiry after Charles Miller, 14, Lower Chapman-street, Middlesex, gentleman, 500*l.*?—I have.

4060. What was the result?—No. 14, in this street, is kept by a person of the name of Hewlett; he does not know Miller; nearly all the houses in this street are farmed; he is not known in any part of the street, but I traced that a person of the name of Daniel Miller lodges in the house No. 4.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the evidence.

4061. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make an inquiry after John Nicholson, 9, New Gloucester-place, Middlesex, gentleman, 750*l.*?—I did.

4062. What was the result?—The only place I can find like Gloucester-place, in Mile-end, is a court in Gloucester-street, consisting of small farmed houses, belonging to Mr. Monds, the tallow-chandler.

4063. Is that called Gloucester-place?—Yes.

4064. Did you trace John Nicholson there?—John Nicholson is not known in this place.

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4065. Did you see Francis Newcombe paid, 6, Doncaster-place, Middlesex, gentleman?—Yes.

4066. Have you made any inquiry as to him?—No, I have not; I saw him paid.

4067. Did you make any inquiry of Richard Nicholson, 24, Gibson-street, Middlesex, tobacco-merchant, 9,350 *l.*?—I did; and I cannot find Gibson-street, Middlesex, in any part of the county, but I have since ascertained it is in Lambeth parish.

4068. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Did you see him paid?—I do not know him personally; I cannot speak to it; I saw 16 or 17 paid.

4069. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make any inquiry after William Pitfield, 2, Shadwell, Middlesex, gentleman, 1,500 *l.*?—I did; this house is occupied by a person of the name of Bell, a baker; and Pitfield is not known there, neither is he on any of the rate-books of the parish.

4070. Did you ask the collectors?—Yes, and they told me so.

4071. Did you make inquiry after William Peters, Minories, gentleman, 1,500 *l.*?—Yes; and he is not known to either of the two collectors for the Minories; neither could I ascertain from any baker's or butcher's shop from one end to the other of the Minories.

4072. Did you make inquiry about Henry Rowley, 18, Savage-gardens, gentleman, 10,500 *l.*?—I did.

4073. What was the result?—He left that house, without paying the half-year's rent and taxes.

4074. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Who did you hear that from?—From the proprietor of the house, to whom a reference was given by a board on the door, it being empty.

4075. Is that a reference that information may be obtained of Henry Rowley, at such a place, or was the reference made to the person who owns the house?—The reference was made in consequence of a board stuck on the front of the house.

4076. Mr. *Parkes.*] What was it?—To refer to 26, Savage-gardens, where I did refer, and I found it; and I traced him to 12, Cooper's-row, lodging in the same house with Mr. Watson.

4077. What sort of lodgings were they?—A very small house, adjoining a public-house, and it appears to form part of the front of it.

4078. Did you make any inquiry about notices of bills that were over-due?—Yes, I did; I learnt it at the same house, of the landlord; I ascertained that there were several notices of bills over-due at Masterman's, drawn by Humbleby on Watson.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the evidence.

4079. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make any inquiries after William Watson, 12, Cooper's-row, Crutched-friars, gentleman, 9,500 *l.*?—I did. It is a small lodging-house, in which Mr. Rawley lodges himself.

4080. Is there a coffee-shop in it?—A boy stated it was a coffee-shop (he was going in with some beer at the time) kept by some Jews.

4081. Did you make inquiry after Henry Tucker, 13, Regent-street, Middlesex, clerk, 3,000 *l.*?—In Regent-street, Mile End, there is no such rate-payer, and no such person to be found.

4082. Did you make any inquiry after William Townsend, 17, Cullum-street, agent, 8,500 *l.*?—I did. This house is occupied by Mr. Champ, a respectable cooper; he has lived there some time, and does not know the name of Townsend.

4083. Did you make an inquiry after George Vernon, 10, Basinghall-street, merchant, 750 *l.*?—I did.

4084. What did you hear there?—Calls here at times; but does not know where he lives or anything about him.

4085. Who gave you that information?—A clerk in the house. He is not a partner in the house, nor a clerk attached to it.

4086. Have you made any inquiry since about any of these persons?—Yes, I have. Mr. Hammond.

4087. What inquiries have you made about Mr. Hammond?—Merely ascertained this morning the information I gave you about William Hammond, 27, Lombard-street, and a person of the name of Brown, I have called this morning upon, in Fenchurch-street, a hair-dresser there.

4088. What

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4088. What is he entered for?—£. 1,750. He occupies a shop in the lower part of the house; Messrs. Lowden and Duncan's the first floor; the upper part is let out in small offices. Brown himself lodges in Theobald's-road, Holborn.

4089. Calling your attention back, I believe I misled you by beginning to make the inquiry of you from the evidence of another gentleman. You stated, in the first part of your examination, you had made an inquiry after Moses Ansell; was that a mistake?—No; I did made an inquiry.

4090. But I did not insert it in your evidence?—Yes, it is here.

4091. John Brown I inquired of, but I did not know that you made the inquiry?—Yes.

4092. Was it a personal inquiry of yours?—Yes, I did inquire there.

4093. Were you one of the parties who applied for shares in this company?—In the old Gravesend Company.

4094. Had you shares allotted to you?—Five.

4095. Do you recollect whether you applied to this company?—Quite sure I did not.

4096. Did you apply to the Dover Company?—It is the Dover I allude to; the last year I applied to have five shares allotted.

4097. Did you exchange them?—No; I sold them, and bought others as well.

4098. Do you frequent a tavern, or did you frequent a tavern, at the period at which some of these parties were paid by Mr. Castello; or state the circumstances under which you saw them?—I was dining at the tavern at the time.

4099. *Chairman.*] What tavern?—The Auction Mart Coffee-house. I heard that Mr. Castello was coming down to pay some persons for signing the Kent and Dover Railway deed, which induced me to stop and see them paid.

4100. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was that your first cognizance of that transaction?—The very first.

4101. Was it entirely an accident?—Entirely.

4102. Are you at all in the same line of business as these gentlemen, the share-jobbers?—No; I am not in any business at all at present.

4103. I believe your wife has property independent?—Yes. I have been out of business the last five years. I was a contractor, as a rope-maker, with the Government, until the conclusion of the war, and my father before me, from 1792.

4104. When did you first make any communication, and to what party, on the subject of your cognizance of that payment?—On the morning after the payment, to the best of my recollection, it was, I called upon Mr. Yates in Coleman-street, the secretary to the South Eastern Railway, and told him the circumstance; and asked him if he intended to notice it in any way. He replied, that he did not; he had nothing at all to do with it, and would not. I asked him if he knew of any person who had; he told me he believed Mr. Parkes, of Great George-street, Westminster, was engaged by some persons; but he knew nothing further; upon which I immediately came up to Great George-street, and saw yourself, and you subsequently requested I would get all the information I could, furnishing me with this book.

4105. Did I undertake to remunerate you for your expenses?—Yes, for any expenses I had been at; I had been at some expenses, and they remain unpaid.

4106. You also know I have employed other parties?—Yes, I know it, and I have seen you do it.

4107. At that time I was employing other parties, and told you the information I had obtained?—Yes.

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4108. Will you tell me the other parties that Mr. Parkes has employed?—A person of the name of Thomas Green.

4109. A person of the name of Poulton, also?—I do not know, I am sure; I have not seen Mr. Parkes give Poulton any instructions.

4110. Did you see Mr. Poulton at Mr. Parkes's?—I saw him one evening at his house; but Mr. Parkes was not in the house; I left him there; I did not see him to speak to him.

4111. Tell me how many persons you say he has employed?—I know he has employed Mr. Green; I know of no others; I have heard of others.

4112. Have you seen any others there with Mr. Parkes?—No, I have not.

 4113. You

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4113. You yourself are in no employment?—I am not in any business at present.

4114. Was your last business the rope business?—Yes, the last business was the rope business.

4115. Are you in the habit of using this Auction Mart Coffee-house?—For the last 12 months, when I come to town.

4116. Do you reside out of town?—Yes.

4117. Where is your residence?—Chingford, in Essex.

4118. Where do you put up, when you come to town?—Sometimes at one place, sometimes at another; sometimes Mile-end, where I have some property, to look after the rents of the houses; at other times in the City.

4119. Have you been engaged at all in the establishment of companies?—The first engagement was last year, as secretary to the Gravesend and Stroud Railway, both secretary and engineer.

4120. Have you ever been brought up to the engineering business?—I have not been brought up to it, but I acted as secretary and engineer; I drew the plan from the Ordnance map.

4121. You copied the plan?—I will give you a copy of the plan.

4122. Had you ever been employed as an engineer before?—No; I drew the line, and I had acted as a surveyor before. [*Handing a paper to Mr. Thesiger.*]

4123. This is your drawing?—Yes.

4124. Was Mr. Green you have mentioned, employed by the board as joint secretary with you in that company?—He was.

4125. That is lithographed?—Yes.

4126. Who were the bankers?—The Westminster Bank in Throgmorton-street.

4127. What has become of the company?—I cannot tell you what has become of the funds; the company is not in existence; they have not applied for the Bill.

4128. You do not know what has become of the funds?—I know I had occasion to sue them for my expenses.

4129. Did you get them?—Yes.

4130. How much?—About 40 *l.*; it was 38 *l.* expense.

4131. How much altogether did you get out of the company?—Nothing more than my expenses.

4132. How much?—£. 40 was awarded by the verdict.

4133. Was that all you got out of the company?—Yes.

4134. What were you to be allowed as secretary?—There was an understanding with Dr. Graham, a director, we were to be allowed 200 *l.* each, if the company succeeded.

4135. Do you know if there were any shares issued?—Yes.

4136. How many?—To the best of my recollection, 490.

4137. Shares of 20 *l.*?—Yes, and an application for 28,500 shares.

4138. Was the only survey made your survey?—Messrs. Blount and Stokes, two engineers, did walk over the line of road in the rain one day, but they took no plans to my knowledge; I am not aware that they made any drawings.

4139. Was your plan published, in the prospectus, to the world?—Just as you see it.

4140. Was it published with the prospectus?—It was inclosed in the prospectus.

4141. Did you estimate the probable amount of the capital required?—I did.

4142. What amount did you consider would be necessary?—£. 75,000.

4143. Was that also published to the world with your survey?—I am not aware that it was.

4144. Was not it 100,000 *l.*?—The capital required was 100,000 *l.* in the prospectus.

4145. Had you ever made any estimate, before, for a railway or any public work?—No, not for a public work or railway.

4146. Have you been engaged in any other company?—One that was not carried into effect; it lies dormant.

4147. Was that the New South Cotton Manufacturing Company, for spinning cotton twist and yarn, and for the manufacture of power-loom shirtings and calicoes; were you one of the provisional committee of that company?—I believe I was; my name was put down.

4148. Was Mr. Green one of the provisional committee also?—I believe he was.

4149. Was Mr. Poulton one of the provisional committee?—I believe he was, but it was never carried into effect.

4150. Was Mr. Richard Spencer secretary to the company?—He acted as clerk.

4151. You would not call him clerk; was he secretary?—They denominated him secretary.

4152. Was he published to the world as secretary?—I believe he was formerly a clerk in the Bank of England, a man in very respectable circumstances.

4153. What was Mr. Stokes; was he one of the provisional committee of directors?—I believe he was.

4154. What is his Christian name?—Richard Stokes, I believe.

4155. What is he?—I do not know further than that I believe he was in the Bank of England, and I have been given to understand he held some situation there.

4156. At the Rotunda?—He is not the same Stokes.

4157. Do you mean at the Rotunda?—I cannot inform you.

4158. Was he a clerk employed in the establishment of the Bank, or at the Rotunda?—I do not know of my own knowledge.

4159. You are thus mentioned, D. E. Stephens and T. Green; what is T. Green?—He was formerly with Mr. Wilkes.

4160. Who is Mr. Wilkes?—A solicitor.

4161. I am asking what he was at the time of the establishment of this South Cotton Manufactory?—I believe he was what is called a dealer in shares and stock.

4162. Was he a gentleman at the Bank?—I believe not.

4163. What was G. Jones?—Nothing more than a jobber and a dealer in shares.

4164. He was one of the directors with you?—Yes.

4165. What is B. W. Poulton?—I believe, something in the same way.

4166. Do you know a list called the Swindler's List?—I do not, at present; I was on the committee with Mr. Foss, but have not seen one for 10 years; I was on the committee with Mr. Foss, in the Strand, for many years, and furnished him with information.

4167. Do you know that Poulton was on that list?—I never heard such a thing.

4168. What was Mr. Spencer, the secretary?—I have told you he was in the Bank formerly.

4169. How many years ago?—Not very many; not more than three or four.

4170. At this time, what was he?—I believe he was a dealer in shares at the time he was appointed clerk or secretary.

4171. Do you know whether he had been discharged from the Bank?—I do not know.

4172. Who were the bankers?—The Westminster Bank.

4173. Were any shares issued?—There was some scrip issued; no shares were issued, and will not be till May next, if you read the prospectus.

4174. Was a printer employed to print the shares; for instance, such a thing as that [*exhibiting it*]?—Yes, of course.

4175. Was the printer ever paid?—I do not know; I never heard him ask for his money.

4176. Do you mean to state you do not know that he has not been paid?—I mean to say he has never asked me for the money; he knows where I live; I live in a house belonging to his predecessor, Mr. John Ellis; and if he wanted the money, he would write to me for it.

4177. Do you know the amount of the printer's bill?—No, I do not; I have not seen it.

4177*. Should you consider it was your duty to pay the printer's bill?—I should consider I was indebted to him as one of the parties, and bound to pay it.

4178. You have never sent to ask him for it?—No.

4179. Is the company now in existence, or gone?—I have withdrawn from it for some months.

4180. Do you know whether the company, after so much life-blood was withdrawn,

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drawn, continued to struggle on, or has expired?—I do not know; I withdrew some months since.

4181. Was there any money paid for scrip or anything?—Some money was paid into the bank.

4182. How much?—Some 50*l.* or 60*l.*

4183. Was that put into the hands of the gentlemen composing the provisional committee or directors?—Some passed through their hands, I know.

4184. Are you sure it passed through?—I hold some of the receipts.

4185. Do you know that it passed through their hands?—I hold the receipts for the money paid in.

4186. Does it remain in the banker's hands still?—Some remains there.

4187. Do you know how much does?—I know some does; I am confident.

4188. Just give the Committee a notion of the amount that you are confident remains there?—Some 54*l.* has been drawn out, to pay the expenses.

4189. You said only 50*l.* or 60*l.* was paid in?—Better than 60*l.*

4190. Did it melt in passing through the directors' hands, so as to leave only 50*l.* to be paid into the bank?—I am not aware of that.

4191. Who made the calculations for the South Cotton Company?—I do not know.

4192. You are not the accountant?—No.

4193. And you do not know, as a director of the company, who was the person to make those calculations?—Mr. Green was the person who first read it to me.

4194. You do not know who made it?—No.

4195. Is there any other company with which you have been connected?—The Maidstone Junction Railway, which is also defunct in the same way; no shares ever issued.

4196. We will speak of the dead as well as we can; but we must know its character. Were you one of the directors of it?—Yes.

4197. Was T. Green the secretary?—Yes.

4198. Probably you have tried your hand at engineering before. Did you make the plan for that railway?—I did.

4199. Did you take the Ordnance map, as on the former occasion?—Precisely.

4200. You ran this line, and then copied the Ordnance map, and drew this plan?—I went over the line with the Ordnance map, and marked it out.

4201. This was the second occasion upon which you had employed your engineering ability in these matters. What was the capital of the company to be?—I do not recollect.

4202. Two hundred thousand pounds?—Yes.

4203. Did you make the estimate?—I partly guessed at it; there were a few valuable buildings and properties.

4204. You partly guessed at it. What did you do with the other part?—About 180,000*l.* I guessed it at.

4205. How did you arrive at the other 20,000*l.*?—As a surplus for exigencies.

4206. It was all guess, from beginning to end; you guessed at the surplus, you guessed the sum that you thought might to be sufficient, and you then guessed the surplus to cover deficiencies?—The thing is defunct.

4207. I know that, and I am very tender in speaking of it, in consequence of that; but we must know something of it?—Shares were never issued.

4208. Never mind that. I observe, although you made this survey, which is here, the engineer is stated to be Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

4209. Did Mr. Gibbs ever make any survey, or make any report?—No; but he gave his consent.

4210. To have his name put down?—Yes.

4211. There were no shares?—Before his consent was given, the plan was exhibited to his brother.

4212. There were no shares issued?—No; applications for a great many shares, but none issued.

4213. No deposits?—No.

4214. It died of a very rapid consumption, from there being no deposits?—No, it is not defunct.

4215. You said it was defunct; is it lying in *extremis* or actually dead?—The shares may be issued, agreeable to the applications for them.

4216. If anybody is gull enough to send for any. What was to be the deposit in the Cotton Company, was not it half-a-crown?—No.

4217. Just look at that, and refresh your memory with it?—To entitle the parties to the shares.

4218. Was the deposit to be half-a-crown, or not?—As expressed there, it was.

4219. Have you any doubt about it?—No.

4220. Is this the only petition in which you have been concerned, on the subject of subscriptions to deeds?—I am not aware; yes, I think there was one; I paid a deposit of 50*l.* upon five shares.

4221. Is this the only petition in which you have been concerned?—Yes, the only one.

4222. What company was that you have mentioned?—I do not recollect what company it was. I paid a deposit.

4223. Just pause a little, and recollect yourself?—I paid the money into the Westminster Bank, and sold the shares at a premium afterwards.

4224. What company was it?—I cannot charge my memory; I think it was the London, Plymouth and Exeter.

4225. Were you a director?—No.

4226. Secretary or engineer?—No.

4227. Do you know of any other petition of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, respecting the Westminster Bridge and Greenwich Railway?—Yes, I read it yesterday.

4228. Are you concerned in it at all?—No, I know nothing of it, except reading it.

4229. Are Green and Spencer concerned?—I do not know; it appears that their names are printed.

4230. Is this the same Poulton who is one of the parties here in this petition, Benjamin Wheeler Poulton; the petition respecting the Westminster Bridge and Greenwich Railway?—Yes, it is the same.

4231. Now, in the first place, let me ask you, whether you believe that this South Cotton Manufacturing Company was a company instituted for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects that the prospectus professed?—I do verily believe it was from the first.

4232. With these parties, as the directors, you have described?—To add to their number persons who would assist them.

4233. Were there any board meetings and minutes?—Yes.

4234. Do you know where they are?—I have them in my custody.

4235. You were not the secretary?—No; I did it for my own security's sake. I took the books myself.

4236. You took off the books, and left the company; I thought you had resigned, as one of the directors?—So I have; I took the minute-book with me, and two or three others.

4237. Now the Maidstone; have you got the books there?—Yes.

4238. You were a director, and not secretary then?—Yes.

4239. How came you to have them?—Because I purchased them and paid for them.

4240. How do you mean; from whom did you purchase them; from the secretary?—No, I bought them myself, and paid for them.

4241. Who did you pay for them?—The stationer.

4242. How did you get hold of them, after they had been used for the minutes of the company?—Took them home with me, of course.

4243. Why?—For my own security.

4244. What security?—The receipts where I had paid money, and the initials of the persons to whom I had paid money; and I chose to keep them as vouchers.

4245. They belonged to the company?—Yes, to the board; but I have paid the money, and chose to keep them as vouchers.

4246. Did you take the books of the other company you have mentioned?—No, they were given up to the directors.

4247. Did you take them first, before you gave them up?—No, I took them from the office to the directors.

4248. You had not any claim upon those?—No, not all.

4249. Were you a subscriber to the Greenwich?—For five shares.

4250. Not more?—The Greenwich and Gravesend.

4251. Any

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4251. Any for the Greenwich?—I had nothing to do with it.

4252. Do you mean to say you were not a subscriber for 5,000*l.* in that company?—Certainly not; I never had a share in it.

4253. Did you subscribe the deed?—Certainly not; never.

4254. Have these different companies you have mentioned any offices for business now?—I believe not.

4255. Where they held on their existence, you cannot tell?—No.

4256. You waited in this coffee-house, because you heard Mr. Castello was coming there to pay persons?—Yes.

4257. What business was that of yours?—It might be for curiosity more than anything else.

4258. Was it; did you stay from motives of curiosity only?—Yes.

4259. You mean to state to the Committee it was merely from motives of curiosity you waited there, and not from any intention to use the information?—I waited to ask Mr. Castello for some money I had lent him, hearing that money was to pass through his hands.

4260. Was he a friend of yours?—No; I had lent him money when he was in distress and wanted money on an emergency; I lent it him, and it is not paid to this day.

4261-2. Are you a person of a benevolent disposition, and lend money to strangers?—I lent it upon the recommendation of others.

4263. You receive interest for your money?—No, I have not.

4264. Do you mean to say you knew nothing of Mr. Castello, and lent him money?—I have known him some time.

4265. Was not he an acquaintance of yours?—He was merely an acquaintance.

4266. I have asked you, besides the motive of curiosity and the object to meet Mr. Castello, had you not a further object to use the information you might acquire by the happy accident that brought you there?—If I had the happy accident to hear the information, the result has been, I have made use of it.

4267. Was not it your intention to make use of it?—Very likely it might be.

4268. Have you any doubt that such was your intention? who told you that Mr. Castello was coming there to pay persons money?—I heard it in the room.

4269. You can tell who it was?—No, I cannot do that, when 20 or 30 persons are in a room.

4270. Was it the common talk in the room?—Yes; and many persons were waiting to receive it.

4271. Was Mr. Green of the party?—No.

4272. Mr. Poulton?—No, not then; I saw him afterwards.

4273. Was Mr. Spencer there?—No; I saw him afterwards.

4274. Did you communicate with Mr. Green and Mr. Spencer, after you had seen Mr. Castello pay those persons?—No.

4275. Do you mean to say that?—I mean to say at half-past seven I went home, and neither saw Mr. Spencer nor Mr. Green.

4276. You say Mr. Spencer and Mr. Green came there afterwards?—No; Mr. Spencer I did say, but not Mr. Green.

4277. Did you see Mr. Green there at all?—No.

4278. When you say Mr. Spencer came afterwards, do you mean, after the money was paid?—He came, and took his money.

4279. Is this the Mr. Spencer who was a co-director with you?—Never a co-director; he was clerk or secretary.

4280. Did you see Mr. Poulton there?—Yes, I did.

4281. At the same time?—I did.

4282. At the time the money was paid?—Yes.

4283. Did you and Mr. Poulton talk this matter over together?—No.

4284. What brought Mr. Poulton there?—I do not know.

4285. Did he come from curiosity?—I cannot answer.

4286. Have you not had any communication with him, how he came there?—I have understood he received 4*s.*

4287. Mr. Poulton was a brother director of yours, was not he?—He was in the Cotton.

4288. And in the others?—No, he had nothing to do with the others; and I withdrew my name from the Cotton.

4289. In

4289. In consequence?—I mean to say that, in consequence of Mr. Poulton's name being upon it, and not agreeing, I withdrew my name.

4290. I misunderstand you. You told the Committee, you withdrew your name, in consequence of Mr. Poulton receiving the 5 *s.*?—No; because I withdrew it five or six months previously.

4291. How often may you have seen Mr. Parkes upon this business?—I should think I have seen him daily.

4292. Have you seen Mr. Warburton also?—I never saw him in my life, till in this Committee-room.

4293. Have you not been in communication with him?—Certainly not, or any other honourable Member of this House.

4294. Do you mean to say you had no communication with Mr. Warburton?—Nowhere, but in this Committee-room.

4295. Was not that after the Committee broke up?—It was; and I showed Mr. Warburton the Greenwich Gazette, the paper I have in my hand.

4296. Be careful in answering the question. I ask you if you have not been in communication with Mr. Warburton?—Never but in this room.

4297. How often in this room?—Never but once in my life, and that was, to the best of my recollection, last Monday.

4298. Were you in communication with him for at least a quarter of an hour?—I do not think more than five or six minutes.

4299. Do you say you were not in communication with the honourable Chairman more than five or six minutes?—Yes; I can vouch it was not more than five or six minutes.

4300. You say your communication was merely in regard to the Greenwich Gazette?—And asking him to present a petition for Mr. Green to the House.

4301. Was that the other petition?—This petition I have not read myself, but Mr. Green was present, and I introduced him to Mr. Warburton.

4302. Asking him to present Benjamin Wheeler Poulton's petition?—No; the petition of Thomas Green.

4303. What was that about?—I do not know; I did not read it; it was, I believe, upon the subject of the Westminster and Deptford Railway.

4304. Was not it upon the subject of the subscription deed?—I do not know; I did not read it.

4305. Do you mean to say that you applied to the Chairman to present a petition, not knowing what it contained?—I do.

4306. Mr. Green never informed you what was the object of it?—Mr. Green told me he had a petition he was anxious to present to the House, and would I introduce him to the Chairman; and I took him up, and he stood on my left, and no communication took place beyond that.

4307. I believe you told the Committee some short time ago, there was a communication respecting the Greenwich Gazette?—No further communication than myself laying it before the Chairman, and asking him if he would like to read it, saying there was libellous matter, reflecting upon him and every other honourable Member of the Committee, which I had every reason to believe was got up by persons connected with the Kent and Dover Railway.

4308. What business was that of yours?—Curiosity.

4309. Still curiosity; nothing else?—No.

4310. Just one word; to go back to some of your companies; to the one in which you were secretary, the Gravesend, Chatham and Brompton Railway; was not Mr. Chapman one of the provisional committee?—I believe there was one of the name of Chapman, but I saw very little of him.

4311. Does not the whole of the expense, or the greater part, fall upon Mr. Chapman, and was not he nearly ruined by it?—Certainly not; unquestionably not.

4312. The greater part of the expense did not fall upon him?—Not a farthing of expense fell upon him; there was plenty of funds at the banker's to pay the expenses.

4313. When you went round to these different persons, by the authority of Mr. Parkes, did you state to any of them you came from the Commons?—No.

4314. Or, from the House?—No; that I had come from Mr. Parkes, of 21, Great George-street, Westminster, to get information to lay before a Committee of the House.

4315. Did you see Messrs. Smith and Finch, of Greenwich, the local solicitors for

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for the South Eastern?—I do not know them; I do not even know that they are solicitors to the South Eastern.

4316. Have you not arranged with Mr. Parkes, for what you are to receive for all this trouble?—Not one farthing.

4317. Kept away from your home at Chingford, has there not been any arrangement what you are to receive per day?—Not one sixpence.

4318. Have you been away from home all the three weeks?—No.

4319. When were you at home?—I was at home last Sunday; the two previous Sundays I was not: I was out upon this business.

4320. Have you had nothing yet?—Nothing at all but 5*l.* towards the expenses, and my account is 8*l.* or 9*l.*; and that was the day before yesterday.

4321. Do you mean to say you are to have really nothing but your expenses?—Most sacredly; no understanding for anything beyond that.

4322. Do you not expect to receive more?—Not a farthing.

4323. Have you undertaken this from the purest motive to benefit the public?—You may put your own construction upon it; Mr. Parkes asked me to do it, and I have done it.

4324. Do you mean to say you have undertaken this to advance the interests of the public, having your expenses, and nothing for your trouble?—Nothing but my expenses advanced me.

4325. Had you known Mr. Parkes before?—Only by name.

4326. Have you ever been employed in any business of this kind before?—Never.

4327. Although you have stated you expected only your expenses from Mr. Parkes, have you any expectations?—We have no understanding whatever upon the subject.

4328. Allow me to ask you, whether, although there is no understanding, you do not expect to receive something more than your mere expenses?—Certainly not.

4329. Although not from Mr. Parkes, have you any expectations in any other quarter?—No, certainly not.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

4330. I wish you to correct yourself as to the reimbursement of your expenses; I think I made you two advances; you are generally correct in the amount; I think I paid you two small sums?—I can tell if I was to look at my books; I know there was 5*l.* the day before yesterday [*the Witness referred to a memorandum*], and there were 7*l.* before, and there is 8*l.* or 9*l.* the last account.

4331. On my advance to you of these two sums, did you not give a written statement of the money laid out?—Yes, of everything; whether I employed a chaise or a cab.

4332. I settled the first entirely, and the second within a few shillings?—Yes.

4333. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Is that your account book?—No; it is only an abstract of a few items.

4334. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you not apply to me on the subject of the petition about the Westminster and Deptford, and did not I decline to have anything to do with it?—Yes, certainly.

4335. Was not I present with several other people in the room, when you took the newspaper to show the chairman?—I was.

4336. Was there any privacy in the communication with the chairman?—Not the least; 20 or 30 people were in the room; and I think Mr. Hill, the counsel, was in the room.

Mr. *Henry Jessop Wright*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *H. J. Wright.*

4337–8. YOU are a solicitor in the Temple?—I am.

4339. Is Mr. Boileau an acquaintance and client of yours?—He is a client of mine, and also an acquaintance.

4340. Mr. Boileau was standing counsel for one of the Dover lines, was not he, or appeared as such?—Yes, I believe he was; he stated to me he was.

4341. And appeared as the representative of the Gravesend line, in the South Eastern Committee, last year?—That I do not know.

4342. Mr. Boileau is a barrister?—Yes, he is.

4343. He

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4343. He did live in Public-buildings, Chancery-lane?—He lived in Southampton-buildings, Chancery-lane.

4344. Has he left London?—He has.

4345. Do you know whether he was a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company?—I do not know.

4346. That is, whether he was a subscriber to the deed?—I do not know.

[*The deed was produced and shown to the Witness.*]

4347. Is that Mr. Boileau's signature for 3,500 *l.* [*pointing to the entry on the deed*]?—Yes it is.

4348. Had you any transaction with Mr. Boileau, in reference to these shares?—As his solicitor.

4349. Did you lend him the money to pay for them?—Am I to answer that.

4350. Do you know the sale of the shares?—

4351. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Were you employed by Mr. Boileau as his solicitor in these transactions?—I was.

4352. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you employed by Mr. Boileau in the purchase of his shares, and his transactions with this company, in the character of solicitor?—I am his solicitor.

4353. Can you state to the Committee you made any charge to Mr. Boileau?—I made no charge.

4354. Were not you professionally connected with Mr. Boileau, in regard to the shares in this company?—The distinction is so very nice, I can hardly say; I should say it was professionally, and if I was not engaged, he would have gone to somebody else; that is my feeling.

4355. Is he now residing at Warrington?—I do not think he is; he is not at Warrington, I believe.

4356. Will you state to the Committee any knowledge you have in reference to his subscription or shares, that you do not deem inconsistent with your professional obligations to him?—I should rather not give any answer at all with reference to that; I have no objection to say generally, if I know the amount of subscription; and if I was asked, whether I thought him able to meet it, I should have no objection to answer the question.

4357. Have you any reason to believe that the shares have been sold that were held by Mr. Boileau?—I believe he held 300 shares, I think, in the Gravesend Railway, and he sold as much of them as he thought advisable, retaining the quantity which was necessary for his qualification as a director, which I believe was 50.

4358. You are now speaking with reference to the Gravesend?—Yes.

4359. I am asking you as to the Kent shares?—A continuation of the same line.

4560. Yes?—I think he sold a portion of those; I think I heard him say so; to what amount I do not know. I would not say he sold any, but the others I know he did.

4361. Do you decline, for reasons you have stated, saying where he is to be met with?—I believe he does not wish it to be known; and I do not think he could, without inconvenience, be called upon to pay a large sum of money; that I believe.

Mr. *William Coulton,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *Wm. Coulton.*

4362. WHAT is your residence?—Surrey Canal-house, Old Kent-road.

4363. *Chairman.*] What are you?—A licensed victualler.

4264. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is your house in Kent or Surrey?—In Kent; no, in Surrey, in the parish of Camberwell, Surrey.

4365. Have you ever signed the contract-deed of the Kent Railway Company?—No, I have not; I authorized a person to do it.

4366–7. Who was that?—A person of the name of Wood.

Mr. *Lancaster* turned to the name of the Witness, as entered in the deed, "William Coulton, Surrey Canal-house, Kent, gentleman, 500*l.*"

[*The deed was shown to the Witness.*]

4368. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is that the handwriting of Wood?—Yes, I have every reason to believe it is.

4369. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was that for exchange scrip?—Yes, I had 20 shares of the

Mr. Wm. Coulton. the original Gravesend, and I left them with him in consequence of the Gravesend joining the Kent, and I had 10 shares in exchange.

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The initials of Robert Lancaster appeared opposite the signature of Wood.

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Robert Lancaster. 4370. DO you know who made out the list deposited in the Private Bill-office?—A young man in the office, 76, Cornhill.

4371. Did you examine it with him afterwards?—As well as I could, for it was not furnished till the morning of Thursday, and it was done in a great hurry.

4372. Can you give any explanation to the Committee, why the several parties described on the deed without any county, have the county of Kent instead of Surrey added to them?—It may have been occasioned by the person who copied them; I told him to put the counties as correct as he could, but I had not an opportunity of going over it as carefully as it ought to be.

4373. Are you not aware there are a great many places entered in Kent, that are in Surrey?—No, I am not.

4374. Is this the first time you have heard it?—Yes, it is.

4375. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Kent-road might lead persons to suppose it is in Kent?—I always thought it was in the county of Kent.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger*.

4376. Just be good enough to look at this book, with Henry Bennett, 373, Strand, and tell me whether he was a holder of Gravesend scrip, and exchanged it for the Kent Railway?—No, Barnett, it is; he held 25 shares in the Gravesend, and paid 5*l.*, and took 15 in the Kent.

4377. Brome, of Woolwich, was he also a holder of scrip?—He held 1,410 shares.

4378. Cope, there is also?—Benjamin Cope, Barbican.

4379. What is that, 250*l.*?—Yes.

4380. Was he a holder of Gravesend shares?—Yes, he exchanged ten shares for five.

4381. Charrington?—William Charrington, 21, Cross-street, Hatton-garden, exchanged 20 shares of the Gravesend for 10 of the Kent.

4382. James Clarke, Kingsland-road, or Tyson-place?—I have a great many Clarkes that have exchanged, but I cannot find James Clarke.

4383. Kingsland-road, West Hackney, that was the description, 3,500*l.*; if you cannot find that, look to Howard, 500*l.*, Mile-end-road?—Howard William Walter, 13, Raven-row, Mile-end; he had 10 shares, and he has paid 5*l.* in addition to his shares, and exchanged the rest.

4384. *Chairman.*] What do you know of that signature by Wood in the place of Coulton, to which your initials are placed?—I remember perfectly well the exchange being made; and it strikes me, but I will not be certain, that there was a broker waiting in the room to take the shares from the person signing them, and I thought it was Coulton himself who was signing; but that somebody has signed his name, is evident; it is impossible for me to know who the different individuals are who called to sign.

John Farmer, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

John Farmer. 4385. WHERE do you live?—I live at Greenwich.

4386. *Chairman.*] What are you?—A broker, residing at Greenwich.

4387. Of what kind?—A furniture broker.

4388. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where do you reside?—Strandsmouth, Greenwich.

4389. Did you make an inquiry respecting William Andrews, described as of Dulwich, Surrey, gentleman, 12,500 *l.*?—Yes, I did.

4390. Do you know where his residence is?—His residence is 13, Manchester-buildings.

4391. Where?—I do not know.

4392. Have you made any inquiry as to Frederick Brome, Woolwich, Kent, gentleman, 35,250 *l.*; can you make anything of him?—No, I cannot.

4393. Have you made any inquiry about Jonathan Cape, Croydon, Surrey, clerk, 1,500 *l.*; is he the chaplain at Addiscombe College?—Yes, he is.

4394. Have

4394. Have you made any inquiry about Mary Ann Cummins, 3, Boniss-house, Kennington, spinster, 250 *l.*?—Yes.

4395. Have you obtained any information about her circumstances?—

4396. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Did you go to the house?—Yes.

4397. Mr. *Parkes.*] What is it?—I was informed she was a cook to the family at Boniss-house.

4398. Is it a boarding house?—Yes, I was told it was.

4399. Who told you she was a cook there?—The servant in the house told me so.

Mr. *Parkes* admitted that it appeared in the books of the company that the person alluded to had exchanged shares.

4400. Did you make any inquiry after James Chipchace, Dartford, gentleman, 3,000 *l.*?—Yes, I did.

4401. What did you discover him to be?—I found him a clerk to Mr. Fooks, the solicitor, at Dartford.

4402. Did you ask him if he had paid any deposit?—I did, in the presence of Mr. Fooks, and Mr. Fooks answered for him.

4403. What did he say?—" What is that to you."

4404. Is Mr. Chipchace a lodger in a small house opposite the turnpike-gate?—Yes.

4405. *Chairman.*] Did you see the house in which Mr. Chipchace lived?—I did; I made inquiry there; I saw a person who belongs to the house, a female, and she told me Chipchace lodged with her.

4406. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make any inquiry after John Duncan, printer, Dartford, 1,000 *l.*?—I saw him himself.

4407. What sort of a shop does he occupy?—A respectable shop; and a respectable person.

4408. What did he tell you?—He told me he thought it rather impertinent to ask, whether he had paid any deposit or not; but we became a little more familiar before we left, and then he told me, that the directors of the railway had been much in his debt; that he had given them some of his receipts for his bills that they were indebted to him, and he thought they might be considered as deposits paid.

4409. Did you make any inquiry after John Davis, Carter-place, Walworth, gentleman, 3,550 *l.*?—Yes.

4410. What did you discover him to be?—John Davis, Carter-street, Walworth, 3,550 *l.* I ascertained from a female there that he was clerk to Messrs. Spooner and Attwood, the bankers.

4411. Is he a lodger there?—No, it is his own house; it appears to be a respectable house.

4412. Did you make any inquiry about John Gardner, Walworth, gentleman, 3,000 *l.*?—Yes, I made inquiry respecting John Gardner, gentleman, and found no such person. I went to the collectors of the taxes, King's and parochial, and could find no such person; I met the minister there, and inquired of him also.

4413. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Would a lodger be on the King's rates and taxes?—No.

4414. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make any inquiry about John Turner Houston, Brighton-place, Brixton, surgeon, 2,250 *l.*?—Yes.

4415. Does he keep a small chemist's shop?—Yes.

4416. A young man?—Yes; a very young man.

4417. Did you see him?—Yes.

4418. What passed between you?—I asked him if he had any shares in the Kent Railway, and he said yes. I asked him if he had paid any deposit, he said he had not, and did not intend to pay any, till he knew all was right.

4419. Did he ask you if you had seen any other person?—He asked me if I had seen Mr. Andrews; I told him I had not: that I had called upon him in my way from town.

4420. Have you made any inquiry about Thomas Henry Nimmo, Victoria-place, Walworth, gentleman, 4,500 *l.*?—Yes.

4421. Who did you find him to be?—Thomas Henry Nimmo, Victoria-place, Walworth; he formerly resided there, but had gone from there three months before my inquiry; they said he had gone to William-street, Blackfriars-road; I called at William-street, and made inquiry at every house; it is a small street, and no such man to be found.

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4422. Did you make inquiry at No. 9, what he was?—Yes; they did not know what he was.

4423. Did you make inquiry about Samuel Noble, builder, Woolwich, 3,500*l.*?—I did not.

4424. What do you know about him; from what source?—He is a respectable man, and high-constable.

4425. Is he a man of substance to the amount of 3,500*l.*?—

4426. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Do you know anything of Noble's circumstances?—No, I do not.

4427. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you make any inquiry after Thomas Rake, Duke-street, Southwark, gentleman, 7,500*l.*?—Yes.

4428. What did you find there?—Duke-street is directly opposite the new railroad; I inquired at every house, and found him at No. 10; he formerly lived at Mr. Watts's, No. 10, but had removed to No. 7, Hill-street, Upper Clapton; and I was informed, by a young gentleman there, he had shares in the railroad.

4429. Did you make any inquiry about William Thompson, Surrey-grove, Kent-road, Kent, gentleman, 2,800*l.*?—Yes, I did.

4430. Could you find any such person?—I could not; I inquired at every house in Surrey-grove.

4431. Mr. *Thesiger* to Mr. *Lancaster.*] All the persons who appear to have exchanged in the book, are persons who have exchanged their scrip?—Yes; I was obliged to do it.

4432. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were not the majority of the persons entire strangers to you, who brought the exchange scrip?—I cannot say; the great majority were; many were: I should rather say, the contrary.

4433. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Though they were all strangers, if they had brought the scrip, you must have exchanged it?—Yes, certainly; the Gravesend shares are many in the Kent.

4434. Did you tell the persons who brought the scrip, to sign their proper names?—I did.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

4435. Who employed you to make all these inquiries?—I was employed by Messrs. Smith and Finch, solicitors to the opposing party.

4436. Who do you mean by the opposing party?—The opposing party to the Kent Railway.

4437. Do you mean the South Eastern?—The Kent Railway.

4438. Who do you mean by the opposing party?—The gentlemen opposing the Bill coming into Parliament.

4439. Did you say, when you were sent out to visit those different persons, you came from the Commons?—No; I told them I came by the direction of the solicitors of the opposing party.

4440. Did you not say you came from the House?—No.

4441. Do you recollect calling at Mr. Houston's?—Yes.

4442. Did you tell him so?—No, I never thought of such a thing.

4443. You might have done it, without thinking?—I did not.

Mr. *Daniel Edward Stephens,* called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *D. E. Stephens.*

4444. DID you inquire about John Milverton, 17, Wellesley-street, Euston-square, 3,500*l.*?—I did.

4445. What was the result of your information?—No such person known at 17 or 17½; neither of the houses exceed 10½ feet front, lath and plaister; the man is not known; one is a child's penny bookseller's shop.

It appeared on the book of the company that Milverton had exchanged 100 shares for 50.

Chamberlain was called, but did not answer.

Edward Herford, called in; and Examined.

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4446. *Chairman.*] YOU are clerk to Mr. Parkes?—I am.

4447. Did you inform Mr. Chamberlain that he was wanted by the Committee, and did he refuse to attend?—He refused to attend, saying he had not been served; I told him again the Committee wished to see him, and if he could wait, I would get a summons.

Mr. *Alexander H. M'Dougal*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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4448. YOU are one of the Parliamentary solicitors of the Kent Railway?—I am.

4449. Are you a subscriber to the deed?—I am not.

4450. Who appears on the deed in your name?—No one.

4451. Had you any knowledge, (and at what time in the week,) before the deposit took place in the Private Bill-office, that the subscription was then insufficient for the purpose of deposit, conformable to the Standing Orders?—I never knew that the subscription list was insufficient, until the day that Mr. Warburton's petition was presented to The House; nor had I any suspicion of it; nor had I the least suspicion that it was signed by any other than substantial persons.

4452. You personally made the deposit?—No, I did not; it was made by my clerk.

4453. In regard to the subscription list, you had no knowledge of it whatever?—No; except that I believed it to be perfect and *bonâ fide*.

4454. Were any friends of yours, at your instance, subscribers to it?—No one.

4455. And no name procured by you?—Not one.

4456. You have, professionally, no relation whatever to the contract or subscription list?—Not the least.

Mr. *John Brothers*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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4457. HAVE you been in His Majesty's service, in the navy?—Yes.

4458. Of what rank?—I hold the rank of lieutenant at present.

4459. Are you on half-pay now?—Yes.

4460. How long have you retired from active service?—Since 1818; I have not retired, I am on half-pay.

4461. From active service you have retired?—Yes.

4462. Did you follow any employment or calling after your retirement?—Nothing.

4463. What has been your residence in the last few years, London or any other part of the country?—I have resided in Devonshire, Weybridge and Chigwell-row; and at present I am residing on my own property, at Norwood Lodge.

4464. Have you been an active promoter of railway companies?—I have belonged to railway companies.

4465. State to the Committee to what railway companies?—My first connexion with railways was with the Greenwich Railway; I began by purchasing five shares, and got up to 230 shares; that was before the calls were paid upon; and I continued to hold those shares until all the calls had been paid; and, of course, I was very much interested in a Dover Railway Company, in the best direction to Dover, being one of the largest holders of shares in the Greenwich Railway Company.

4466. Are you a large holder in the Greenwich now?—No.

4467. Do you hold any?—Yes.

4468. How many?—I believe about five shares.

4469. When did you sell them?—I sold, in consequence of the Dover Railway being defeated in the last session, as I considered it the only railway that would ever answer the purpose of the Greenwich. I commenced selling out the moment we lost the Bill of the Gravesend and Dover.

4470. You are a director of the Kent?—I am.

4471. What number of shares do you hold?—I exchanged Gravesend scrip to the amount of 900 shares; I hold other scrip I have not exchanged, and which I thought it not advisable to exchange, till this inquiry was concluded.

4472. When you exchanged the 900 shares, did you take out your new scrip?—Yes.

4473. Did you sign the deed for it?—Yes.

4474. To what amount?—£. 25,000, I believe.

4475. Are you a further holder of Kent shares, or have you subscribed for more?—I am a holder of Gravesend scrip to a considerable amount at present.

4476. Are you a subscriber on the contract deed for the amount of 25,000 *l.*?—I am a subscriber to 20,000 *l.* more, as a director's signature.

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4477. When did you make the second subscription?—I do not know the exact day, but I made it the day the other directors did.

4478. Were you at the board when the figures were altered to double the amount?—Yes, I was.

4479. Did you alter your subscription?—Yes.

4480. What did you increase it by?—From 10,000 *l.* to 20,000 *l.*

4481. What does that make you *in toto* responsible for on the contract deed?—£. 45,000.

4482. What did you sign the Gravesend deed for?—I, at present, cannot call to mind what I signed it for.

4483. Did you sign the Gravesend for 7,000 *l.*?—It is very probable I did.

4484. Did you sign the Dover for 5,000 *l.*?—I did not.

4485. Were you returned as a subscriber for 5,000 *l.*?—I do not know; I know I signed for my qualification and took it up, and paid my deposits, and took out my shares.

4486. In what?—The Dover Company.

4487. Do you hold any fresh scrip whatever in the Kent?—None whatever.

4488. You never paid any deposit on account of fresh scrip in the Kent?—No; I have Gravesend scrip to the amount of what I have signed for.

4489. At what period did you buy the Gravesend scrip?—Unfortunately, I bought it when others were deserting the company, to support it, at a very high premium.

4490. Have you sold scrip in the Gravesend?—I dare say I have.

4491. Do you not know you have?—Yes, perhaps several hundred shares.

4492. Perhaps more?—Very likely.

4493. And bought?—Yes, and bought.

4494. Are you upon the committee of management of the London and Exeter and Falmouth Railway?—I am not.

4495. Were you ever published as such?—I was.

4496. Was it with your leave?—Yes, I sat at the board.

4497. Were you a large subscriber there?—I never had a share, to my knowledge; I have no recollection of signing the deed; I withdrew myself at the time the signature of the directors was considered necessary.

4498. Did you sign the deed for a large sum?—I do not recollect having signed the deed at all.

4499. Will you say you did not?—I think I did not; I have no recollection of having done it; I think I withdrew myself at the time it became necessary to sign the deed; I do not say I have not signed it; if I had been asked to have done so, I should have done so, upon the respectability of several of the directors, whom I knew.

4500. Are you a heavy holder of other scrip or shares?—Several.

4501. To a large amount?—Not to a very large amount. I have sold my interest in many other shares, to direct all my attention to the Kent Company.

4502. Were you one of the first promoters of the Kent?—I was one of the first promoters of the Dover.

4503. Were not you an early promoter of the Kent Consolidation Line?—The Kent Consolidation took place by the directors of the two lines; I had nothing particular to do with it; I took the same part that others did.

4504. Have you attended all the board meetings?—I believe, every one; I have seldom been absent from the Gravesend, Dover or Kent.

4505. Have you ever resided at Leamington?—No; I have freehold property there.

4506. Have you ever described yourself on a deed as residing there?—Yes; at that time I had no particular residence; I thought it fair to describe my residence, where I had freehold property; being there more than at any other place.

4507. What is the nature of that property?—It consists of one of the most desirable properties in Leamington; it is immediately opposite the Pump-room.

4508. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is it land; there is no house opposite?—It is Euston-terrace, lately built, immediately adjoining the Regent's Hotel.

4509. Mr. *Parkes.*] That is not opposite the Pump-room; have you more than one house there?—No; one house.

4510. When were you first aware of the increase in Mr. Walker's estimate, as compared with the advertised capital of 2,000,000 *l.*, in February?—I think it

was

was not much above a month ago, not so long; indeed, I cannot tell when it was exactly.

4511. You recollect very well the increase of your sum at the board meeting?—Yes, I do.

4512. You knew at that time the subscription was much below the necessary amount for lodgment, conformable with the Standing Orders?—We knew it was, in consequence of Mr. Walker's estimate.

4513. *Chairman.*] Was it before that meeting at which you altered your subscription to the amount of 20,000*l.*, that you heard of the increase in the estimate?—Certainly it was.

4514. Mr. *Parkes.*] It was before then; when did you hear it before then?—I think it was only the board-day before; I am not certain when it was; it may be month before this time.

4515. Did you introduce any of your friends to the secretary, to execute the deed?—Not one.

4516. Who is Mr. Chaplin?—A brother-in-law of mine.

4517. Do you know what he has executed it for?—No, I do not.

4518. Do you know the day on which he executed it?—No; I could recal to mind the day he had been paying me a visit, a day or two before.

4519. Did you ask him to execute it?—No, I did not.

4520. Did you have any communication with him about it?—I do not recollect that I did.

4521. Where is his residence?—At Sudbourn, Suffolk; he has since retired from business, and I do not know where he resides exactly at present. I expect him up very soon at my house; he would have been up before now. I had an appointment, and was going to Warwickshire, but the lady has come up, and the journey has been put off in consequence of this examination. I was summoned to the Committee, and thought it necessary to attend.

4522. Do you represent any shares in the Kent, that do not appear signed with your own name?—No, none whatever.

4523. What is the total amount you now represent upon what you have signed and the old scrip you hold?—It is to the amount of 45,000*l.*

4524. In toto?—In toto.

4525. Do you know a surgeon formerly resident at Southam?—I know several; I have the honour to be acquainted with all of them.

4526. Do you know one of the subscribers who did reside at Southam; do you know any surgeon who removed from Southam to Birmingham?—Yes; Mr. Parsons.

4527. Who is he?—He was a surgeon at Southam.

4528. What is he a subscriber for?—I do not know. I had not the least knowledge he held any shares in the Gravesend or Kent.

4529. Is he an acquaintance of yours?—Yes.

4530. Did he ever refer to you upon the subject?—He was a man of such a nervous state of mind, I told him I would rather not have anything to do with him; and that is the case with respect to several others who have applied to me. I found myself placed in such a delicate situation, I have referred them to the brokers.

4531. You know Mr. Parsons not to be a person of substance?—He represented to me he was a man of substance, and had just come into possession of property by his wife.

4532. What sort of a house did he live in at Southam?—I was only in it once, when he resided there.

4532. Did you get him the shares?—I have some knowledge of his getting the shares through me in some way or other, but I do not recollect.

4534. Did he not directly get his shares through a communication with you?—He might do so. I had apartments at Toms' Coffee-house at that time; many of my friends placing implicit confidence in my actions, have requested me to purchase shares for them in the different companies, and they could produce letters from me, expressing my delicacy upon the subject. At last Mr. Parsons came to town, saying he had 600*l.* or 700*l.*, and wished to invest it. I told him what I was investing my money in, and he could do the same if he liked.

4535. Do you know whether he paid deposits upon his shares?—Not the least.

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4536. Had you any transaction with him in regard to his exchange of shares?—Very likely I might.

4537. State to the Committee what it was?—I have not the least knowledge of anything regarding the exchange of Gravesend for Kent.

4538. You stated you might have had to do with the circumstance of his exchange?—With the purchase, not the exchange.

4539. Just state to the Committee what is in your personal knowledge of the purchase of his shares for the exchange?—I think he went out to the broker to endeavour to purchase the shares; that he could not get them; and I furnished him with the shares under the price he could get them at in the market.

4540. What did you charge him?—I have not the slightest knowledge.

4541. Could you furnish it?—No.

4542. Do you keep any books?—No. There was a friend of mine, a Mr. Griffin, now gone out to Calcutta; I referred them to him, as being more upon the money market.

4543. Did he pay you anything?—He paid me the money.

4544. Do you recollect anything about it?—Yes; but I do not recollect when he bought them.

4545. Can you state he paid you anything?—Yes; he paid me money for my shares.

4546. Did he pay you by cheque or cash notes?—I think he paid me by notes, but I have not the knowledge.

4547. Was it by Bank of England notes or country bank-notes?—I do not recollect.

4548. How long ago is it?—I cannot say whether it was before the Gravesend Bill was thrown out or afterwards; I should imagine it was afterwards.

4549. Cannot you state the particulars of your transaction with a country gentleman in respect of these shares; where did he pay you?—At Toms' Coffee-house; I had apartments there at the time.

4550. Was he stopping there?—He was.

4551. Recollect yourself; when and how he paid you?—I have not the least knowledge of it; I should say not by cheque, because I do not think he banks in London; I should say he paid me in notes or in gold.

4552. Cannot you recollect to what amount?—I cannot.

4553. Can you state positively he did pay you any sum of money whatever on the Kent shares?—I state positively that he has.

4554. But the time or place you will not recollect?—The place, I tell you; in my apartments at Toms' Coffee-house.

4555. Having recollected the place, cannot you recollect the amount?—No, nor the amount of shares.

4556. Was it 50*l.*?—He purchased not only Gravesend shares, but Calcutta shares, which was a favourite in the market; and, unfortunately, I was purchasing Calcuttas at that time; they were at a very high premium, and he purchased some too.

4557. Did he purchase from you any Spanish stock?—Not 1*l.*; I am perfectly ready to answer any question; I am satisfied I have acted uprightly to every one.

4558. Had you any transaction with this gentleman, except in railway shares and Calcuttas?—No.

4559. Did you sell him Calcuttas?—No, I did not; I think Mr. Griffen sold them to him.

4560. Have you any other country connexions, with whom you have had dealings in the scrip of the Dover or Kent?—I have several country connexions.

4561. State what connexions have been concerned with you in the transfer or sale of this scrip?—None whatever.

4562. No purchase or sale of old scrip?—It is impossible to remember.

4563. Recollect two or three of the larger?—Mr. Oldham, of Southam, who built my house at Leamington; he has a large contract at present on the Great Western Railway, to the extent of 80,000*l.*

4564. Did he deal with you in scrip?—No, he did not; he asked me what I could recommend him to purchase; he had a sum of money to lay out; I told him, as I told other friends, what I was purchasing.

4565. Discriminating between the transfers in the Kent, and with reference only

only to sale or purchase of Old Gravesend or Dover scrip, what parties, now shareholders in the Kent, have you had to do with in the way of business?—I have had to do with a very considerable number of proprietors; I cannot name how many, neither should I wish to name them; there are some of the Members of this House who have purchased shares through me, and now hold them, and I should not wish to name them; a number of persons also connected with the railway; I am proud to say I have brought a good many persons into it.

4566. Have any Members of this Committee dealt with you in these shares?—No, not any; I do not say that any Member has; I have brought them into the concern.

4567. Are you at all acquainted with Mr. Brome?—I never knew him.

4568. Are you acquainted with Messrs. Spooner & Attwood?—I bank with them.

4569. You are acquainted with Mr. John Twells?—Yes.

4570. He is a co-director with you?—Yes.

4571. And is in other companies?—Yes.

4572. Do you know George Price?—I think he belongs to the Salisbury and Exeter.

4573. Do you know him?—I know him as secretary of the Salisbury and Exeter.

4574. At what period were you first interested in the Kent?—I have told you over and over again, it was at the time the two companies joined.

4575. Do you know John Yates?—Very well.

4576. What is he a subscriber for in your company?—I have not the least knowledge.

4577. Have you had any dealings with him in scrip?—Never.

4578. Do you know Mr. Lamie Murray?—I do not; I believe he is a member of our board; he has lately joined; I have never been introduced to him.

4579. Cannot you state to the Committee for whom you have procured any old scrip, or to whom you have sold, or for whom you have bought?—Upon my word I have no recollection.

4580. Cannot you state two or three of your largest transactions?—I do not think I am justified in stating those parties who do not wish to appear.

Chairman.] In any matters connected with these companies or dealings with them, you are bound to answer.

4581. Mr. *Parkes.*] Cannot you state two or three of your largest transactions?—I recollect one in particular, after the Gravesend Bill was thrown out; such was my opinion, that I believe I purchased 300 shares of Mr. Luke at par, who is a member of the United Service Club; he came down to me the very night the Bill was thrown out.

4582. What other purchases have you made?—I cannot recollect any other, but I always endeavour to support the character of the company.

4583. Proceed to state of whom you have made large purchases?—I really cannot recollect; I have made large purchases through brokers; I made purchases through Mr. Atkinson and through Mr. Edmonds, two of the most respectable brokers on the Stock Exchange.

4584-5. For whom?—For myself.

4586. What have you sold, and who to?—It is a question that I cannot answer; how is it possible in the transactions of three or four years I can state that.

4587. You are not asked for the last three or four years, but keep yourself to the period subsequent to the throwing out the Gravesend Bill?—I recollect my brother-in-law purchased a great many.

4588. Who is he?—Mr. Chaplin.

4589. Did you not purchase them for him?—I think I did.

4590. Did he pay you the money for them?—Yes, he did.

4591. For all of them?—Yes.

4592. Every one?—Yes.

4593. Did he pay you for all he signed for?—Yes; and for more than he signed for, because I have sold some for him.

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4594. Do you mean you have sold them since?—He paid me more than what he had signed for; I have bought some for him.

4595. Have you bought any for Mr. Woodgate or any of the directors?—No, never, not one.

4596. What other country connexions of yours are in the Kent Railway Company besides your brother-in-law?—One of the directors, Mr. Rowe, of Chigwell, came into the direction through my introduction.

4597. What other?—Colonel Utterton, of Heath Lodge, Croydon, came into the direction through my introduction.

4598. What others?—Really I cannot answer; I am not saying I purchased shares for them, but they came into the direction through my introduction; I never purchased a share for either of them.

4599. Look who else you introduced?—I do not think I introduced any others.

4600. Were you at the office of the Gravesend Company when the prospectus of the Dover was prepared?—Yes.

4601. What meeting had you had previous to that evening when the prospectus was drawn up?—I really do not know; I recollect the prospectus coming out of the South Eastern, which would damn the Gravesend if it was carried into effect, and the prospectus was got up.

4602. Was not it in consequence of the publicity of the prospectus of the South Eastern to go to Dover, that you got up the counter Dover Company?—I do not think it was; it was that determined us to get it up as soon as possible.

4603. Who do you mean by us?—Mr. Walter was one; I cannot call to mind, who was present.

4604. Was Mr. Green present?—I think he was.

4605. Who besides Mr. Walter was present?—I do not recollect any one but Mr. Walter, Mr. Green and myself; still I think there must have been somebody else.

4606. Was that the South Eastern advertisement that alarmed you so? [*handing a paper to the Witness.*]—I think it was.

4607. Mr. *Thesiger.*] What is the date of it?—31st October 1835.

4608. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did not the project of the Dover Company originate with you and Mr. Walter, in point of fact, that evening?—All companies must spring from some source.

4609. Answer the question?—I think it very likely it did.

4610. Do you not know that it did?—I think it did.

4611. Do you not know that it did?—I do not know for positive it did, but I am willing to think it did.

4612. Who drew up that prospectus?—Mr. Walter and Mr. Green.

4613. Mr. Green having stated that you, and Walter, and he were present, and a fourth person; do you know who that fourth person was?—No, I do not.

4614. Was it Mr. Colin Smith?—I should think not, certainly not.

4615. Why not; was not that Mr. Colin Smith's first introduction to the company?—No; I think he was introduced afterwards; his name was mentioned as the secretary.

4616. Were you a party to the drawing up of the advertisement and the estimate of the expense?—I was.

4617. But no further preparation?—The estimate had been gone into before by Mr. Landmann, and a section of the line taken in that direction; in fact it was from the old plan drawn up by Colonel Landmann.

4618. Had you had an estimate made of the cost, as well as the plan?—Yes; Colonel Landmann had made an estimate of the cost.

4619. You state that positively?—I understood so.

4620. Have you ever seen it?—No.

4621. Do you know anything about it?—No.

4622. Give us some more information of your country connexions, who are subscribers to the Kent, or holders of the old scrip?—I really cannot recollect any more of my country connexions.

4623. Could

4623. Could you recollect any more, if you saw a list of the subscribers?—No; I might recollect more, if you mentioned the names.

4624. Have you any connexions at Birmingham, who have any interest in it?—Not a soul.

4625. At Leamington?—No.

4626. Do you know whether Mr. Oldham holds any shares now?—No, I do not.

4627. Do you know anybody who represents shares for him in the company?—No.

4628. Or in the deed?—No.

4629. Do you know anybody representing shares in the Kent deed for other parties, as real *bonâ fide* holders?—No, I do not.

4630. Think again whether you do not know, on the Kent list of subscribers, nominees for certain sums?—I really cannot recollect any other.

4631. Are there any to your knowledge?—I do not know indeed; I think it is very possible.

4632. Just state who they are?—I cannot state indeed.

4633. Who they are that you personally know?—I cannot at the moment recollect any one person.

4634. State your personal friends who are shareholders in the Kent only?—You have asked me that so often; I do not recollect who they are in particular.

4635. Do you not know one, except your brother-in-law and the Southend surgeon?—I recollect two Mr. Jefkin's, two young men of considerable property, amounting to 50,000 *l.*, who signed the Gravesend deed, I believe, to the amount of 100 shares; whether they had exchanged the scrip I do not know; they are friends of mine.

4636. Did they have anybody to represent them on the Kent deed?—I did not.

4637. Do you know one who appears as a nominee?—No.

4638. After the meeting, when you increased your subscription, did you apply to any parties to execute the deed?—Not one; I never applied to anybody to sign the deed.

4639. Did you know to what amount the deed was deficient?—No; I was quite surprised to find it was deficient, knowing how full the Gravesend had been signed.

4640. What induced the directors to increase their subscription to that large amount; was not it in consequence of knowing the deed was deficient?—It was in consequence of Mr. Walker's increasing the estimate. That was the reason given, and the only reason given.

4641. You say you were quite surprised to find the deed was not adequate?—Yes.

4642. Who made the communication to you?—Mr. Green.

4643. Was it in the board room?—It was privately in the board room.

4644. Was it discussed to what amount you should increase it?—I think Mr. Phillpotts mentioned we should increase it from 10,000 *l.* to 20,000 *l.*, and there was no agitation except in two or three instances.

4645. What was the agitation on the part of those gentlemen who declined?—I am not aware of what their excuses were; some had a dread to sign the deed, making themselves responsible to a larger amount than what they wished to do; I had no hesitation in signing it.

4646. Cannot you recollect the communication made to the board by Mr. Green?—It was not mentioned to the board directly; it was mentioned to Mr. Phillpotts, and he proposed it to the board; it was not brought forward as a board question.

4647. Did you not consider it a very extraordinary increase, 70,000 *l.*?—Yes; I considered it a most extraordinary thing that the estimate had been increased 1,000,000 *l.*; but it was in consequence, I believe, of seeing the deficiency of the Birmingham and other railways that the engineer did it.

4648. Have you had any communication with the engineer?—No.

4649. How do you know that?—It was only a supposition.

4650. It was your speculation?—Yes.

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4651. Do you recollect any particular objection made by any directors who refused to increase their subscription?—No, I cannot; I recollect there was an objection, but I cannot say what it was.

4652. Were you present at the board meeting when the shares were allotted?—They were allotted at different periods; there was an allotment took place, after the two companies were consolidated.

4653. Did you get any allotment made to any of your friends?—No.

4654. Not one?—Not one single share.

4655. Was there any friend of yours you applied for, to have an allotment of shares in the Kent Company?—I do not think there was any one, to the best of my knowledge.

4656. Or acquaintance?—No.

4657. Had you any letters to procure shares?—No.

4658. Not during the whole time of the board sitting?—No, not one.

4659. Not a single communication made to you?—Not to my recollection.

4660. Was any verbal request made to you?—I have no recollection of any one.

4661. In your presence, during any attendance by you at the board, did the board take any steps to ascertain the character or responsibility of the parties applying for shares or exchanging shares?—Most decidedly; we selected those, I understood, as we thought would actually pay upon the shares.

4662. Did not you, in consequence of the nature of the applications made, issue but very few shares?—We issued the number of shares we thought requisite, reserving a certain portion for the line of road through which we pass, which other companies do.

4663. Did you not issue a very small number of original Kent shares?—I think we sent out letters allotting shares to the full amount, after reserving for the parties along the line.

4664. *Chairman.*] You are asked whether after allotting the Kent shares, and selecting such as you thought would pay, you did not in consequence issue but few shares?—We issued but few, because but few paid; we issued a sufficient number of letters out, but between the issuing the letters and paying the deposits there is a great difference.

4665. Very few paid their deposits?—Yes, according to the number issued.

4666. Mr. *Parkes.*] It was never a very great favourite with the public?—I believe it was; as regards myself and my friends, we had a high opinion of it.

4667. *Chairman.*] Did it bear a high premium at any time?—No, the Kent never bore a high premium.

4668. What was the highest premium it bore?—I never knew them sold at a premium.

4669. Mr. *Parkes.*] Notwithstanding this line was such a favourite with you and your friends. Can you tell us any more of your friends who purchased?—It would take me a long while.

4670. *Chairman.*] Have you any document you can refer to for information?—No.

4671. Mr. *Parkes.*] What other companies are you connected with?—The Preston and Wyre Company I was connected with; but I sold out my shares, in order to direct my energies and my little property to the Kent Company.

Lunæ, 13° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Thornely.
Mr. D. Gaskell.
Mr. Forster.
Mr. G. Evans.
Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. John Young.
Mr. Dugdale.
Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Brotherton.
Mr. A. Chapman.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *John Brothers*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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4672. HAVE you any record whatever, in writing, of your transactions in shares in the Gravesend, Dover or Kent Railway Companies?—I have no particular record; I have a few memorandums, and the banker's cheque-book, which I have brought with me; but I think it better first for me to correct a little mistake, as to Mr. Parsons. I admitted I might have sold him shares; and since I have looked at my banker's account, I have seen I have never sold that gentleman Gravesend, Dover or Kent shares.

4673. Though you so positively recollected him paying you cash, you correct yourself by saying, you never did sell him any shares?—The reason that I thought I might have sold him some shares was, that I recollected his coming to town. I have a letter from Mr. Oldham, a friend of Mr. Parsons, who writes to me to this effect: "Will you have the kindness to send me a broker's list, one that you could recommend, as Mr. Parsons wants to buy some shares; and he would send at once to the broker whose list you sent down." The rest refers to the part of my house he was building, which it is not necessary to read; it happens it has got the post-mark of the 20th February 1836.

4674. What portion of that letter have you cut off?—That portion that related my private business, the building of my house.

4675. What have you scratched out?—That part that relates to my mother, that he had seen her, which I did not think it necessary to state.

4676. When did you scratch it out?—On Sunday; but I think it may be made out.

4677. When did you cut off the top?—I cut off the top, and burnt it with the papers, yesterday.

4678. What other papers did you burn yesterday?—I do not know of any paper I burnt in particular; every month, or two months, I burn every letter I may not want. It is not a general thing for me to look over my papers on Sunday; but I thought that it might be of great importance to do so, if I could, to show I had no connexion with Mr. Parsons; and in doing so, I met with this letter, which would go to prove, I had no desire to have any connexion with him. It is in answer to a communication I had with Mr. Oldham, saying I should not wish to have anything to do with Mr. Parsons respecting shares; that I was a director of several companies, and it was a matter of great delicacy. This letter is from Mr. Oldham; I had told him I did not wish to have anything to do with shares myself, and that he might write to a broker.

4679. What sort of shares?—Any sort of shares, as I shall be able to prove afterwards.

4680. Have you met Mr. Parsons this morning?—Yes.

4681. When did you meet him?—When I arrived in town, to my astonishment, he was at Toms' Coffee-house, as was also Mr. Chaplin; I had not the least idea of their being summoned, and was surprised to meet them.

4682. Did you tell them what evidence you had given on Saturday?—No; I distinctly say I did not.

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4683. Did you tell them anything about it?—I might have said something about it, relative to Mr. Parsons' transaction; I was in fact obliged to tell him something about it.

4684. Then, in point of fact, you did tell him of your evidence?—No; I told him that part of my evidence, relating to the cheques.

4685. *Chairman.*] Let us know what you did tell him?—

Mr. *Parkes.*] Come, go on.

—I was placed in that delicate situation I was determined not to have met him; I told him I had been examined in the House of Commons respecting shares I had sold him; in fact, I endeavoured to avoid the explanation.

4686. What did Mr. Parsons tell you, about his being a shareholder in the Kent Railway Company?—I really——

4687. Now attend; you told us on Saturday you had sold him scrip, and received money in exchange?—I admitted I might have sold him scrip, because I was anxious to admit anything, to prove that whatever I had done, I was not ashamed of appearing here to explain; but on referring to my banker's accounts, I find I did not; I did not answer this letter. Mr. Parsons came to town with 700 *l.* or 800 *l.*, and as he was a nervous sort of man, he wished at once to invest this money. I told him I would rather not have anything to do with the investment of the money, but referred him to a Mr. Griffin, a friend of his, who would instruct him the best way of investing it. He then asked me to take charge of his money; I told him he might pay it into my banker's hands to my account, and I would give him cheques for it as he purchased shares; instead of which he handed the money over to me, and I paid it into my banker's hands with other monies I had. I am not aware of the amount of Mr. Parsons' money he paid to me, as I can find no memorandum of the amount.

4688. *Chairman.*] Have you repaid him all the money?—That I will make appear by these cheques. Mr. Parsons' friend, Mr. Griffin, then commenced by recommending him to buy Great Western Railway shares, which he did; he commenced, I should think, (but I have had no communication with him upon the subject,) by buying Great Western shares to the amount of 474 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d.*; he came to me for a cheque to that amount, which I paid him.

4689. *Chairman.*] Who came?—Mr. Parsons. He then bought, I believe, Calcutta Railway shares to the amount of 300 *l.*

4690. Mr. *Parkes.*] State it generally; we do not want every item of the account?—Last of all, he bought 100 Gravesend shares of Mr. Atkinson.

4691. *Chairman.*] What did he pay for them?—He is a man of that nervous state, and absence of mind, he actually bought those shares of Mr. Atkinson, and received the scrip, without paying for them. We had before struck the balance.

4692. What was he to pay for them?—I am not aware; I believe he bought them at a quarter discount. Mr. Parsons, in his examination, perhaps will state that I have confused the account; the 300 *l.* was the first amount, and 474 *l.* was the second transaction; the 474 *l.* closed the balance of whatever money Mr. Parsons had brought up; and here is a memorandum I made on the side of the cheque: "March the 3d, 1836, on account of Mr. Parsons, balanced 474 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 *d.* balance." He continued to buy Gravesend shares; he bought 100 Gravesend shares of Mr. Oldham; those are the shares which were mentioned in my examination on Saturday, and which I admitted I might have sold him.

4693. Did you sell them to him?—No, they were sold by Mr. Atkinson; and as I had recommended him to Mr. Atkinson, and Mr. Atkinson had given up the scrip to him of the 100 Gravesend shares, without his paying for them, thinking of course he would come back and pay immediately, Mr. Atkinson came to me a few days afterwards, and said there were 100 shares sold to Mr. Parsons, and the scrip delivered, which had not been paid for, and he would wish me to write to Mr. Parsons concerning it. Not wishing to have anything to do with Mr. Parsons in this transaction, I wrote to Oldham, the gentleman building my house at Leamington, saying, that Mr. Parsons had left without paying for the 100 scrip, and requesting he would see him upon the subject. Mr. Oldham inclosed in a letter, I think, 40 *l.*, and requested me to pay the balance. I think it amounted to 81 *l.* 5 *s.*; but, whatever it was, here is the memorandum: "Mr. Atkinson, on account of Mr. Parsons for Gravesend shares, 41 *l.* 5 *s.*"

4694. You paid the balance, 41 *l.* 5 *s.*?—Yes, and placed it to Mr. Oldham's account.

4695. Is

4695. Is that all you have to state?—Yes, that is all the transactions I ever had with Mr. Parsons.

4696. At what time was this?—March the 3d was the balance; that transaction was March the 25th.

4697. Do you mean to inform the Committee, that you did not recollect any of those circumstances on Saturday?—I declare most positively, and I am ready to take affidavit of the fact, that I could not recollect any circumstance; and that as soon as I got back to my banker's accounts, they called it to mind. I called upon Mr. Atkinson this morning, and he admitted the fact, that he sold Mr. Parsons 100 Gravesend shares, and called upon me to write for the money.

4698. Have you and Mr. Atkinson had considerable dealings in the Gravesend shares, or Kent shares, or exchanges.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

4699. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you and Mr. Atkinson had considerable transactions, or any, in these shares?—We have had transactions in these shares.

4700. Have you not had some in partnership together?—Never.

4701. Have you and Mr. Oldham had any transactions in shares in partnership?—Never in any shares.

4702. At no period?—No period, nor with any other person.

4703. Have you ever had any dealings with Mr. Poulton in shares?—Never; I never saw him to my knowledge.

4704. Never heard of him?—Not till his name was mentioned here.

4705. Have you ever had any dealings with Mr. Chamberlain?—Never.

4706. You stated that you exchanged 900 shares of the Gravesend for Kent, and you had a great many more in your possession; how many more have you had in your possession; as you have refreshed your memory upon the circumstance as to Mr. Parsons, perhaps you have upon that?—I have not counted the number of Gravesend scrip; I should think I have from 100 to 200.

4707. When did you buy them, since the petition or before?—Before the petition; I have not purchased a single share since.

4708. You think you have 100 or 200 you have not exchanged?—Yes, I have.

4709. Have you ever had any dealings with the secretary, Mr. Green?—No.

4710. Neither directly nor indirectly?—No.

4711. Neither in the Kent, Dover, nor Gravesend?—Neither.

4712. Are all those *bonâ fide* your own property that you hold?—Yes.

4713. Not in connexion with any other person?—No.

4714. Were you acquainted with Mr. Parsons before this transaction?—No, I did not know him; I knew he had succeeded Mr. Langston; I had been once introduced to him, but I never knew him, to be acquainted with him.

4715. Any transactions with Mr. Day?—I think I recollect the name.

4716. Buying or selling?—I do not know which it might be, really.

4717. Were you ever engineer to the Greenwich Railway?—Indeed I was not.

4718. Did you ever appear in that character?—Never.

4719. Or to any other railway company?—Never.

4720. You are a director on the Falmouth?—I am not, I have resigned.

4721. You are a director in several other companies?—No; I have resigned my directorship in every other company.

4722. Of how many were you a director?—The Preston and Wyre, and the Eastern Counties.

4723. The Exeter?—Yes.

4724. The Greenwich?—No, I was never director on the Greenwich.

4725. Are you intimate with Mr. Walter?—I know him very well.

4726. Do you know Mr. Price?—I think I know him, from having met him once or twice at the Falmouth and Exeter board.

4727. Had you ever any public meeting of the subscribers of the Gravesend and Dover or the Kent?—Never.

4728. As a director of the Kent Railway, did you ever take any trouble to ascertain who sold the scrip?—As far as regards myself and my own friends, they were held by people who were able to pay for them.

4729. I want to know your friends, who held them, able to pay for them?—Mr. John

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John Jefkins, George Jefkins, Lieutenant Griffiths, the son of General Griffiths, Mr. Chaplin; I have not made minutes of the names.

4730. Will you repeat to the Committee what you stated on Saturday, that you and Mr. Chaplin have no relation to each other in the shares he represents on the Kent deed?—Yes.

4731. Had you anything to do with him in procuring him the scrip?—Yes, I procured them for him; he was in Suffolk, and anything I embarked in, he was anxious to do the same. [*The Witness referred to a memorandum book.*]

4732. How much scrip did you buy for him?—Mr. Chaplin; every time he came to town, we made it a point of settling our account together, and I have always prevailed upon him to put his name to the account, each time he came to London; I find I have bought for him 230 shares.

4733. At what time?—On June the 1st, I bought 100 shares for him.

4734. *Chairman.*] What year?—1836.

4735. Mr. *Parkes.*] What did you give for them?—A quarter discount.

4736. What was the total amount you gave for the 100 shares?—£. 75.

4737. Show me that book?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the book being shown to Mr. Parkes.

—I have always felt a delicacy—

4738. Never mind your delicacy, we have had enough of that; did you buy him any more?—Mr. Chaplin had 100 scrip originally allotted to him, which he paid the deposit upon.

4739. Of what?—Of Gravesend scrip.

4740. *Chairman.*] Were those other shares Gravesend shares?—Yes.

4741. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who paid those deposits?—I paid it, most assuredly; Mr. Chaplin was in Suffolk, and I was in London.

4742. What other transactions have you had with Mr. Chaplin in the Gravesend, Dover or Kent?—Mr. Chaplin had 20 shares allotted to him in the Dover Railway, for which I paid the deposit at the time I paid my own deposits.

4743. What else had he?—I do not see any other transaction in the Dover shares.

4744. In the Kent shares?—We never did any transaction whatever in the Kent shares; I never did anything whatever for him; I never purchased him a single share in the Kent Railway.

4745. It was cheaper to buy the old scrip than to buy the Kent?—I should think not; I should think they would bear the same proportion; two Gravesend shares were considered equal to one Kent.

4746. What number of shares in the Gravesend, in the gross, did Mr. Chaplin represent, through your purchase or payment for him?—He held at one time 230 shares.

4747. Have you sold at any time for him, by your little book?—Yes; I have sold 50 Gravesend shares for him.

4748. When did you sell them for him?—January 1836.

4749. Mr. *Thesiger.*] Have you nearly finished this examination?—

Mr. *Parkes.*] No.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the line of examination pursued by Mr. Parkes, as not being relevant to any of the allegations contained in the Petition.

Mr. *Parkes* was heard in support of the line of examination, and referred to the course of the cross-examination of the witness Stephens pursued by Mr. Thesiger, into his connexion with every company with which he had at any time been connected.

Mr. *Thesiger* was heard in reply, and pointed out the distinction between his cross-examination of Mr. Stephens, a witness produced by Mr. Parkes, and the examination in chief of Mr. Brothers, who was Mr. Parkes' own witness.

The *Chairman* stated that, in the Arigna mining case, the directors of the company were called before the Committee, and examined into every part of their conduct in connexion with that company.

Mr. *Thesiger* drew the attention of the Committee to the distinction between the Arigna case and the case now before the Committee. In the case of the Arigna Committee, the Committee conducted the examination

tion themselves; but, in the present case, agents and counsel conducted the examinations.

The *Chairman* stated he did not see the force of the distinction pointed out.

Mr. *Parkes* stated that by the allegations of the Petition, the Kent Company was attacked from its birth to its maturity.

Mr. *Thesiger* was heard finally in reply upon the last observations of Mr. Parkes.

The Committee-room was cleared.

It was proposed to resolve, that Mr. Parkes be allowed to pursue the course of examination objected to, which being put, passed in the affirmative.

Ayes.	Noes.
Mr. Thornely.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Evans.	Mr. Young.
Mr. Gaskell.	
Mr. Forster.	
Mr. Dugdale.	
Mr. Lushington.	

The Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed of the decision of the Committee.

Mr. *John Brothers,* called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

4750. NOW, you stated you had resigned all your other directions?—Yes.

4751. How many may you have been on in the last three years, railway schemes alone?—I think four or five.

4752. Do you not recollect six?—Counting the Dover and Gravesend; I consider the Dover and Gravesend one; I was equally interested in the whole concern.

4753. You have stated you were in the London and Salisbury?—Yes.

4754. And in the London and Greenwich Railway Gas?—Yes.

4755. You were in the Preston and Wyre?—Yes.

4756. Were you in any other?—No, I think not.

4757. In the beginning of any other?—The Eastern Counties.

4758. Any companies that have not come to maturity?—No.

4759. Were you a director in any other companies but railway companies?—Yes, in the Southold Mining Company.

4760. In any other?—No.

4761. Did you take shares in all of them?—Yes, in most of them.

4762. Did you buy and sell in all of them?—Yes; I did buy and sell occasionally.

4763. Do you recollect the first prospectus coming out on the 28th of May 1836; that one [*handing a paper to the Witness*] of your Kent Railway?—Perfectly well.

4764. Do you see the date of it?—Yes.

4765. Read it to the Committee?—The 28th of May 1836.

4766. There is a passage in it to the following effect: It is said, "The capital required to carry into effect this great national work is estimated at two millions sterling, the great part of which has been provided by an arrangement, under which the property and interests of the late London and Gravesend and London and Dover Companies have been transferred to the present enterprise;" what transfer, at that time, had taken place to that enterprise?—There had been a meeting of the directors of the Dover and Gravesend at that time, and they had agreed to join the two companies, and form one, calling it the Kent Railway Company.

4767. Had you had any meeting whatever with the proprietors or scrip-holders, to authorize any such statement then?—Not then; we had not received a single application for a meeting from any of the proprietors. I was the only director of the company that proposed a meeting of the company, and it was considered not advisable to call them together, on that account.

4768. Was not that 28th of May in the same week that the South-Eastern Bill passed the Committee of the House of Commons; a passage from the Report

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of the Committee on which Bill is quoted in that prospectus?—Yes; we considered that passage very favourable to our Bill.

4769. As a director to this company, by what authority could you put forward such a prospectus, which stated that a great part of this capital had been provided by an arrangement of the Gravesend and London and Dover companies?—That I had nothing to do with.

4770. Is it not false there was any such arrangement with the proprietors, whoever they might be, and that the directors were ignorant of the character of the shareholders?—In referring to the deed, you will find the directors had full power to act as they thought best for the interests of the proprietors, and they considered that they were studying their interest in the steps they took.

4771. What deed do you allude to?—The London and Dover, and Gravesend Company.

4772. Did those deeds give you a shadow of power to make any transfer of the interests and the property of one concern into the other?—That rests to be proved; that is a question of law.

4773. You stated that the directors of the Kent had the power to do so by the deed?—We considered we had.

4774. Did you ever hear of such a thing, without a meeting of the proprietors?—If you come to examine me upon points of law, I must plead ignorance.

4775. I will not do that; from your experience, as a director, in so many companies, did you ever hear of a transfer or consolidation of three companies into one without some communication with the proprietors, or some knowledge on the part of the directors, of the character of the shareholders?—I should think it a very rare circumstance, if it could have occurred before.

4776. Then is the Committee to understand you wanted to call a public meeting of the proprietors?—I suggested the propriety of doing so.

4777. Did they overrule you?—It was overruled at the board.

4778. Did anybody support you in the proposition?—I have no recollection at present.

4779. Do you remember a report from Mr. Walker to the board, during the last autumn?—What do you allude to?

4780. Answer the question. Do you remember any report from Mr. James Walker to the board, in the autumn of last year?—Not any.

4781. Were there none to your knowledge considered at a board meeting?—He met the board occasionally.

4782. Were there any reports from Mr. James Walker considered by the board?—He met the board, and reported upon the survey along the line.

4783. Do you mean that all the reports you are aware of made to the board were verbal, and not in writing?—He brought his plans; I do not recollect any report read by Mr. Walker.

4784. Did you attend most of the board meetings?—Yes, most of them.

4785. And took an active part in them?—As far as my abilities would enable me.

4786. And the deep interest you had in them?—I had a deep interest in them.

4787. You have signed for pretty large sums in other undertakings?—No.

4788. What sums may you have signed for in others?—I do not recollect having signed a deed, except in the Bristol and Exeter for 20 shares; when I became a director of the Preston and Wyre, the Act was already obtained; consequently I did not sign any deed, except for the shares transferred into my name.

4789. Had you not the sum given you by the directors?—The qualification was only five shares, and I took 50 shares.

4790. You signed for the 50?—The regular transfer was made for the 50.

4791. Have you not signed one of the Brighton deeds very heavy?—I signed Rennie's Brighton Railway.

4792. Do you recollect how much?—Fifty shares; I must tell you, I paid my deposit upon all my shares. You will perhaps allow me to say for what I signed the deed in Rennie's Brighton; it is necessary for the Committee to understand, I paid my deposits.

4793. Have you signed any other?—Not to my recollection.

4794. With reference to your subscription and signature to the deed of the Kent, what is the total amount you represent, 45,000*l.*?—Yes.

4795. How many shares would that make?—It would make about 1,600 I think.

4796. Are you a transferer or holder of that amount of scrip in the old company?—No, not so much as that.

4797. Have you paid your deposits upon the difference?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

4798. You reside at Norwood Lodge, in Surrey?—Yes.

4799. How long have you lived there?—Eight months, I think.

4800. Is it a house of any size?—It is one of the handsomest villas in Norwood.

4801. It is called Norwood Lodge?—Yes.

4802. Is there any land about it?—It stands in its own grounds, five acres of pleasure grounds.

4803. Have you had letters addressed to you, that you have received there?—Yes; it is my only address.

4804. Is that, amongst others, one of the letters addressed to you, that found you there [*handing a letter to the Witness*]?—Yes, that is one.

4805. You have put in one from Mr. Oldham?—Yes.

4806. How is that addressed?—To me at the railway office, and a reference to Toms' Coffee-house.

4807. Mr. Oldham was a builder, and employed by you?—Yes.

4808. You were asked on Saturday, whether you ever lived at Chigwell?—Yes.

4809. Did you live on your own property there?—Yes.

4810. Did you dispose of that property?—Yes, I sold it; it was freehold property.

4811. If I might venture to ask, how much did you sell it for?—£. 2,512; I sold it to Mr. Stuart, a director of the South-Eastern and Brighton line.

4812. Are you possessed of any house or houses at Weybridge?—I hold the lease of a house at Weybridge, which I have transferred to a Mr. Thesiger, who, I believe, is an uncle of yours; he is now living there.

4813. You have been asked about Mr. Chaplin; he is your brother-in-law?—Yes.

4814. You married Mr. Chaplin's sister?—Yes.

4815. Is he a person of property?—He is a person of large property.

4816. Where does he live?—He is out of business at present.

4817. Where is he living?—At Sudbourn occasionally.

4818. Is he a person of character and respectability?—He is a person of the highest character; so much so, that he is received at the tables of all the respectable gentry in the neighbourhood.

4819. Is he a respectable gentleman visiting in good society?—Yes, quite so; his father left him an ample fortune to visit in any society.

4820. Did he make over, on your marriage with his sister, any property to you?—Yes; he did a most honourable act to me at his father's death; his father, independent of the property he had given to me upon the marriage, he had left 3,000*l.* to him for his life, and at his death it was to go to his sister; he came voluntarily forward and agreed to assign it over at once to his sister; and consequently I felt myself bound in gratitude to him.

4821. Has he since assigned it over?—Yes; 12 months after his father died, his sister died, and I came into possession of all that property.

4822. To the value of 3,000*l.*?—Yes.

4823. You have left active service in the navy for some years?—Yes.

4824. Did you marry again?—Yes.

4825. You married the daughter of Mr. Storr, of the firm of Storr & Mortimer, silversmiths, in Bond-street?—Yes.

4826. It appears, since you have left active service in the navy, you have occasionally purchased shares in different companies?—Yes; at the death of my wife, I had been living a very retired life, and finding time hanging heavy upon me, I came to London, and commenced by purchasing shares; and I was induced to go into one railway company and another, and I had ample capital to do it; I am able to meet every engagement, as I shall be able to show before I leave this

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this Court; I have a large connexion, anxiously watching the progress of this inquiry.

4827. In the various companies you have been engaged in, did you pay you deposits on the shares you took?—Every one.

4828. You thought well of the Kent Railway, and disposed of your shares in that company, in order to direct all your energies to that company?—Yes; there was but one opinion as to the goodness of the Kent over the South-Eastern, and the result of it will prove it.

4829. Have you attended the different boards with a view of assisting, as far as you could, in carrying the object of the railway into effect?—Yes, I have; I have endeavoured by every method in the world to support the market of the Kent Railway, as far as prudence would allow me to do so; and I believe it stands in better repute in the market than the South-Eastern, as a great national work and undertaking.

4830. Is that your impression?—That is my firm impression, and the impression of all out of doors.

4831. Was it that impression that induced you to become a shareholder in the concern, and to become one of the directors to the undertaking?—It was that alone; it was most natural I should have joined the South-Eastern in preference, if I had a good opinion of it; as I held 230 Greenwich shares, with the calls all paid up upon them.

4832. Have you acted, with regard to the purchase of your shares in procuring a seat in the direction in the company, entirely from your own views, and without any control or influence from any director of the company?—Entirely.

4833. You have attended several of the boards when the directors have assembled; have they directed their attention entirely to the business of the company, fairly and honestly?—I never saw a board of direction more so; in fact I was never in so respectable a direction before; it was that which induced me to remain; my friends wished me to retire from all, but I wished to remain there especially, because I considered I had got amongst a set of men the most honourable I had ever met with.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

4834. It has been a very falling market, the railway share-market?—I have not bought a share in the market a considerable time: for my friends, who are respectable, I am proud to say, are desirous I should withdraw myself from the money market.

4835. What have railway shares to do with the money market?—I consider a great deal.

4836. It is like dealing in Exchequer bills?—I think there is no investment so secure as these railway shares, if we can get our Kent Bill.

4837. If you buy and re-sell at a higher price?—Yes.

4838. You stated your principal motive for going into the Dover line, and promoting that line, was in consequence of your interest in the Greenwich Railway?—Yes, I considered it so far superior to the South-Eastern.

4839. Leaving alone the South-Eastern, if you can, when did you say you had sold your Greenwich shares; was not it before the Dover was projected?—I am not aware when I commenced selling, but I know I got clear out of them, the moment I knew the South-Eastern Bill had passed; because I considered it would be a line never carried into effect, and prevent another good line exceedingly advantageous to the Greenwich line; and my opinion has never been altered.

4840. Is the result of your speculation in railway shares, that you have made a good deal of money by it?—I do not think I am bound to answer that question; notwithstanding the losses some have sustained, I have, on the whole, made a profit by it; I went into the Greenwich Railway when shares were at par and 1 *l.* premium, and I sold those shares at from 8*l.* or 10*l.* or 11*l.* premium. I consider I cleared 2,000*l.* upon the purchase of Greenwich Railway shares.

Mr. *William Augustus Parsons,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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4841. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—A surgeon.

4842. Where do you live?—Birmingham.

4843. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you settled at Southam some time ago?—Yes I was.

4844. Were you settled there, at the time you began to take an interest in any railway shares?—Yes, I was.

4845. Had you ever been a shareholder in any companies before?—No, I had not.

4846. What attracted your attention towards railway shares?—Hearing them discussed so frequently, and visiting a number of patients who were interested parties.

4847. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway?—Yes.

4848. To what amount?—Eighty-five shares, I hold.

4849. Have you ever had more?—No, I never had more.

4850. Have you got the scrip of those shares?—Yes, I have.

4851. Have you got them here?—No, not with me; they are at my attorney's; he holds them; Mr. Wright, of Southam.

4852. Have you bought or sold any of the Kent since you became a subscriber?—No.

4853. How much money do those 85 shares represent?—£.4,250.

4854. Have you signed the Kent Railway deed?—Yes.

4855. When did you sign it?—I almost forget exactly the time; I think it was some time last summer, but I do not exactly recollect the time.

4856. Where did you sign it?—At the proper office.

4857. Did you come up for the purpose of signing?—Yes.

4858. For that only?—I had some little other business to transact, but that was the principal business; I imagined it was necessary to sign it.

4859. Were you applied to, to sign it?—No, I was never applied to; I think I understood, at Southam, it was necessary to sign it; I think it was Mr. Oldham who told me.

4860. To what amount did you sign?—I signed for myself; I held 170 Gravesend, and I exchanged the scrip for 85 of the Dover; I also signed for Mr. Oldham, in my own name, which scrip I brought with me, and exchanged them, and returned them to him when I got home.

4861. You returned the new scrip you exchanged for the old?—I exchanged the Gravesend scrip, for Mr. Oldham, for the Dover scrip, and returned it to him.

4862. *Chairman.*] You signed in your own name for Mr. Oldham's shares?—Yes. I was attending him at the time, or his wife, or some of his family.

4863. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you mean to say you took up a quantity of Gravesend scrip of your own and Mr. Oldham's?—Yes.

4864. Did you exchange both of those sets of scrip for new scrip?—Yes, I did.

4865. Did you tell the secretary for whom you were signing?—To the best of my recollection, I did; I am pretty certain I did.

4866. For what amount in gross did you sign?—I do not exactly know the amount.

4867. Was your subscription, as far as regards yourself, entirely represented by the old Gravesend scrip?—I exchanged the Gravesend, the whole of them, Mr. Oldham's and my own, for the Kent

4868. *Chairman.*] You did not take any new shares in the Kent?—No, none whatever; I merely exchanged.

4869. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is that your signature [*showing a deed to the Witness*]?—It is.

4870. Do you recollect what you had put, before the figure nine was put?—I do not recollect the figure.

4871. What directed your attention to the purchase, originally, in the Gravesend line?—Mr. Oldham went up to town, first of all; he was a patient of mine; he came home, and said, he thought it a very good line: he submitted it to me, and I agreed with him; I coincided with him that it was a very good line, and said, I should like to have a few shares myself. "Do you know any respectable broker?"

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broker?" He said, "Yes; I will write to Lieut. Brothers, and I dare say he can recommend you one;" which he did. I had occasion to come to town myself upon some other business, and introduced myself to him; I knew nothing of him before: and he took me over to Mr. Atkins, of whom I purchased the shares; I desired him to purchase those shares for me.

4872. Was that before the Kent was advertised, as a line?—Yes; before the Gravesend went into Parliament.

4873. You were a purchaser of that scrip, before the Bill was thrown out?—Yes, I was.

4874. What did they cost you?—I think I only purchased 50 first; before the Bill was thrown out, I bought 50; I almost forget; I have it on my books; I think it was two-and-a-half; and 100 I bought at a quarter discount, 15*s.*; and 20 more at 12*s.* 6*d.*; they were so cheap.

4875. Did you buy them by coming up personally, or by communication with anybody?—The 50 original I desired Mr. Oldham to buy for me; the 100 I bought when I came to town.

4876. And the lot of 20?—Those I bought myself.

4877. Did anybody recommend you to buy them?—No, I did it on my own judgment entirely.

4878. Do you not know you are liable for Mr. Oldham's shares as well as your own?—No, I was not aware of that certainly.

4879. Has Mr. Oldham given you any indemnity for signing it?—No; he paid me a certain sum for signing it; he said he must come up to town, unless I would do it for him, and he might as well pay me the money.

4880. What did he pay you?—I do not recollect exactly; it was what is usual. I think it was something about 6*d.* a share; a mere trifle.

4881. Towards the expenses for coming up?—It was for signing for him entirely.

Mr. *John Webb.*

Mr. *John Webb*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

4882. WHAT are you, and where do you live?—At Dartford; nothing particular; a gentleman.

4883. What else, besides a gentleman?—Nothing else particular, besides a gentleman; I have no occupation.

4884. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Are you in any profession?—No, I have given up my business.

4885. *Chairman.*] What were you?—A baker.

4886. How long ago?—Eighteen months.

4887. Mr. *Parkes.*] What are you now?—Nothing particular; I am living upon my income.

4888. What are you in particular; are you in the Court of Requests?—Yes, serjeant of the Court of Requests.

4889. Do you ever do anything in Mr. Fooks's office?—No.

4890. Are you a clerk of his?—No.

4891. Have you ever been?—No, never.

4892. You get your living as serjeant, do you not?—No.

4893. In what other way?—From my income, my property; the serjeant of the Court of Requests does not bring me in 50*l.* a year.

4894. What does your property bring you in?—I cannot answer exactly.

4895. Come, come——

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the examination.

4896. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is it so large?—No.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question, and the question was waived.

4896.* Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway deed?—Yes.

4897. How much?—£.3,250.

4898. State to the Committee how you became a subscriber to that amount, or any amount?—How I became! I do not understand you.

4899. Under what circumstances were you induced to sign the deed?—I was asked if I should like to take a particular number of shares; I said I had no particular objection, if you think it worth my while; "It will be certainly worth your while; it will be beneficial."

4900. Who asked you?—Mr. Fooks.

4901. What is Mr. Fooks?—An attorney at Dartford.

4902. Is he clerk to the Court of Requests?—Yes.

4903. Where was it?—In the office, the first time.

4904. Did he mention it more than once?—Yes.

4905. How often?—He was often talking about it, before I agreed to sign it.

4906. Did he tell you how much deposit you would have to pay?—He did not tell me that; he told me what I should have to pay upon each share.

4907. What deposit did he say you should have to pay upon each share?—£.2 a share.

4908. What would that amount to?—£.50 each share.

4909. How many shares did you sign for?—Sixty or sixty-five.

4910. Where did you sign the deed?—I did not sign it at all.

4911. Have you never signed it?—No.

4912. Is that your name there [*showing a deed to the Witness*]?—Yes, that is my name.

4913. Is that your signature?—No.

4914. Do you know whose it is?—William Fooks's.

4915. Do you know anything about it being signed?—I know so far as this: he brought the deed, at the time I was labouring under rheumatism, and could scarcely get out of bed; I said, "I cannot sign it; you may as well sign it for me;" he said, "Very well, I will."

4916. How long ago was that?—About three weeks.

4917. How long were you in bed with the rheumatism?—Ten weeks; I am better to-day; I can write, but cannot get my hand up to my head.

4918. Did you give him any deposit?—I did not.

4919. Did you see the deed signed?—I did not see it signed; I was in bed at the time it was signed.

4920. How do you know you did not see it signed?—Because it is signed.

4921. State to the Committee what you do or not know?—I do not know anything more, than that I told him to sign it for me.

4922. Have you ever written a note to say you had signed it?—No; there were two notes sent by a van-man at Dartford; they sent to every public-house to find me at the moment; he said he had got 5*s.* for each one; he made a mistake, but I, knowing the man (he was one of my father's executors), I would say nothing at all to him about it; in fact, I thought he would not act or assist me in any sort of way; he is a stupid sort of fellow.

4923. When did you first know your name was signed to the deed?—I knew it was signed, or to be signed, the moment that Mr. Fooks came to me.

4924. When did you know it was signed?—A day or two afterwards.

4925. Who told you?—Mr. Fooks.

4926. Have you had any communication with Mr. Fooks lately upon the subject?—We have often talked about it.

4927. Lately; in the last two or three weeks?—It is only two or three weeks since the deed was signed, thereabout; we are in the habit of being together a great deal, and in the capacity I hold, I am often in his office, and this may have transpired.

4928. Do you know of any other person in Dartford who has signed it?—No.

4929. Or in the Court of Requests?—No; I have never spoken to anybody else about it, but Mr. Fooks, except some people you will ask me about, perhaps.

4930. What people?—Those two persons that were going round the town; they came and asked me if I had signed it; I did not give them the answers they wished, perhaps; I was not going to fill their mouths.

4931. Is that your handwriting [*handing a paper to the Witness*]?—No.

4932. Whose is it?—Mr. Fooks's.

4933. Put it in, and read it?—

[*The note was read, as follows:*]

"Sir, "Dartford, 27 Feb. 1837.

In answer to your question, I beg to say that I have signed the Kent Railway deed. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, "*John Webb.*"

"Mr. D. C. Stephen, Chingford, Essex."

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4934. Who is it directed to?—D. C. Stephen, Chingford, Essex.

4935. Which Mr. Fooks is that the handwriting of?—Mr. William Fooks.

4936. Is it the father or son?—The son.

4937. Had you any communication with him relating to that note?—Yes.

4938. When was it?—When the cabman or omnibus-driver came; this man brought a note, and could not find me in Dartford; I was out of Dartford at the time, and he took them to Mr. Fooks's office, and left them there, and Mr. Fooks said, "Here is a letter come about signing the deed."

4939. Had you opened the letter?—No, I never saw the letter at all; he told me the purport of it; he said, "Shall I answer it?" and I said, "Yes, do, for I cannot write." I could not write; I could not lift my hand up off the pillow. That is all I know, more than last night some gentleman came down, with a notice for me to appear at 12 o'clock to-day.

4940. Has Mr. Fooks signed the deed himself?—I do not know anything further.

4941. Do you know Mr. James Chipchase of Dartford?—I do not know anything about him.

4942. Do you know him?—No, I do not; I believe there is such a person.

4943. Is he not the beadle of the court?—No.

4944. Is he in Mr. Fooks's office?—No, I do not know that he is.

4945. What is he?—I have never spoken to him in my life; he is a gentleman to look at; he is a man I was never acquainted with.

4946. *Chairman.*] You know him by sight?—Yes.

4947. Does he live in Dartford?—I do not know where he lives.

4948. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where did you meet him?—In public company.

4949. In the Court of Requests?—No, I never saw him there; I know he has not been there since the last year and a half.

4950. Have you never heard he was beadle of the court?—I know he never was.

4951. What did you know of him 18 months ago?—I did not know him 18 months ago; I have only known him about a month, and then I only knew him by sight.

4952. Where were you in the habit of meeting him?—I have never been in the habit of meeting him; once I met him at the Black Boy at Dartford; I had no acquaintance with the man whatever.

4953. You know nothing about him?—I know nothing of his private character or moral character; I do not know anything about him.

4954. Do you know what calling he is in life?—I know nothing of him.

4955. Will you state to the Committee you do not know what he is?—I do not know; he may be a lawyer.

4956. Do you know whether he is in business?—He has been a man in business.

4957. What business?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

4958. Have you ever known him as a lawyer?—I have heard he was one.

4959. Where have you seen him; have you seen him in a lawyer's office?—Yes, I have.

4960. Tell the Committee what you know of him; what lawyer's office have you seen him in?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

4961. *Chairman.*] Have you seen Chipchase in a lawyer's office?—I did.

4962. In what?—I have seen him in Mr. Hayward's office and Mr. Fooks's office, and I have seen him before the magistrate.

4963. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who is Mr. Hayward?—Deputy-clerk of the peace at Dartford.

4964. When did you see him in either of those offices?—I do not know.

4965. How long ago?—Within a year; I do not know; I should say within three months; I have not known him more than three or four months by sight.

4966. What was he doing there?—I do not know.

4967. What have you seen him doing in Mr. Fooks's office?—I do not know; I have seen him there three or four times; whenever I have seen Mr. Chipchase

chase, it has been to inquire of Mr. Fooks; I had no business in the office whatever. Mr. *John Webb* 13 March 1837.

4968. You have been there to inquire for Mr. Fooks, and you have seen Mr. Chipchase in the office?—Once or twice.

4969. Did you inquire of Mr. Chipchase where Mr. Fooks was?—No; my business is direct with Mr. Fooks, and there is a boy to attend the office; you ring the bell, and that brings Mr. Fooks or his footboy.

4970. Did anything pass on that occasion between you and Mr. Chipchase?—Never.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Rotch.*

4971. You do not mean to say you saw Mr. Chipchase at the desk, performing the duties of the office?—I do not know the duties of the office; I have seen him there with his hat off, sitting round the fire, like other people.

4972. Just as other people in the town?—Yes, every person in the town.

4973. You have been there yourself?—Yes.

4974. You are not an attorney?—No.

Mr. *John Herapath,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

4975. WHAT is your name and address?—John Herapath, Upper Bedford-place, Camden Hill, Kensington. Mr. *John Herapath.*

4976. *Chairman.*] What is your calling?—A private gentleman.

4977. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you the editor and proprietor of the Railway Magazine, to which I am a subscriber?—Yes.

4978. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company?—Have I signed the deed?

4979. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company?—No.

4980. Have you any indirect interest in any shares?—I hardly know what you mean.

4981. *Chairman.*] Have you any interest direct or indirect?—No.

4982. Have any of your family, to your knowledge?—They have signed the deed, or at least the deed has been signed for them.

4983. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you present when it was signed?—I signed it myself.

4984. When did you sign it?—I do not recollect the time, not the precise day.

4985. Tell us what part of the deed you signed [*handing the deed to the Witness*]?—There it is; Spencer Herapath, Kensington, gentleman, and Maria Herapath, of Kensington, spinster.

4986. *Chairman.*] Read the whole of it?—"Spencer Herapath, of Kensington, gentleman, 5,000 *l.*"

4987. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you write that?—Yes.

4988. Go on?—"Maria Herapath, spinster, 5,250 *l.*"

4989. Did you sign that?—Yes.

4990. When did you sign those names?—I do not know.

4991. *Chairman.*] About when?—I cannot tell.

4992. Was it a month ago?—No, I think not; it was just about the time they were going to lodge the deeds.

4993. Mr. *Parkes.*] Who was present at the time you signed the deed?—It was in the Kent Railway office, and four or five persons were present; to the best of my recollection, Mr. Green was present; I think Mr. Smith, I am not quite certain, and Mr. Hamond.

4994. Which Mr. Hamond, Mr. Hamond of Greenwich?—Yes; and I think Mr. Lancaster was present, the accountant, I think so; I have not a distinct recollection whether more were there.

4995. From your great respectability, you will tell us all that took place?—I have nothing to disguise.

4996. Tell the Committee what took place, that induced you to sign those two names?—I was asked to sign the deed myself; and in consequence of my having the Railway Magazine, I objected to it, merely from being the editor of the Railway Magazine, and no other reason whatever; and then I signed those two names.

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4997. *Chairman.*] Who asked you to sign the deed?—I am not quite certain: but I think it was Mr. Green and Mr. Hamond.

4998. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did they then say anything to you about the amount you were to sign for?—I think, as far as I remember, some one in the office asked me to sign, and said he would take my name for 10,000 *l.*; I remember something to that effect; I smiled, but whether any one named the amount I have no clear recollection.

4999. Did you pay any deposits upon them?—No.

5000. Or receive any scrip?—No.

5001. *Chairman.*] Were you asked to sign your name to a larger amount?—An observation was made by some one, that they would take my signature for 10,000 *l.* to the deed.

5002. Who do you think that was?—I cannot tell exactly.

5003. Were the four gentlemen you have named present at the time?—I cannot tell; they came in at different times; I went in on some business, and Mr. Hamond came in afterwards; I cannot say who was present, when I went in; I think it was Mr. Green.

5004. Was it one of the four?—Yes.

5005. Which of the four do you think it was?—It strikes me it was Mr. Green; I am not certain.

5006. Mr. *Parkes.*] Had you ever signed any other railway deed before, for yourself or daughters?—I think I signed for my son once before.

5007. *Chairman.*] What deed?—I think it was the Dover deed; it was at the request of my son.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The question was withdrawn.

5008. *Parkes.*] Is there not another member of your family, at Bristol, on the deed?—Yes, Captain Herapath.

5009. Who signed it?—I did, at his request.

5010. When did you sign it, at the same time?—No, a long time back.

5011. Did you pay any deposits for them?—No; he is abroad, or he would have signed it.

5012. When did you receive the request from him?—At the time he was at home, last June, I think, or May.

5013. Did he tell you what amount to sign for?—No; he is a young man in a very good situation, and he desired me, if I saw anything likely to be to his advantage, to take the opportunity.

5014. You acted on his general instructions, and not with regard to this particular company?—No.

5015. Are both your daughters of age?—There is only one.

5016. Is your daughter of age?—No, she is not.

5017. How old is she?—I can hardly tell to a year or two, 17 or 18, I think; I think she is 18.

5018. How old is your son?—He is the next to her; younger, Spencer is.

5019. How old is he?—About a year, or a little better, younger, within two years.

5020. The next in succession?—He has nothing to do with it.

5021. How old is the Captain?—He is just of age.

5022. *Chairman.*] Was he of age last June?—No, he was not.

5023. Mr. *Parkes.*] You stated you had an objection, as editor of the magazine, to sign yourself?—Yes.

5024. Has that extended to prevent your being a director in any railway company?—Not since I have been editor, have I been director.

5025. What company were you a director in?—The Eastern Counties.

5026. Are you not now?—No.

5027. In No. 13 of your magazine, there is a plate of the Kent Railway?—Yes.

5028. Where did the copper-plate or other plate for engraving come from?—I borrowed it of the Kent Company.

5029. Who did you borrow it of?—I asked the secretary for it; I do not think I had any communication with the directors; it was Mr. Smith, I think.

5030. You have given them a lift sometimes in the magazine, in a little article?—

Mr.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.
The question was waived.

5031. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you not inserted a great number of articles favourable to the Kent Railway, depreciating the South Eastern Railway, in your magazine?—When I was employed professionally against the South Eastern line, there were articles went in from their own section; but I was never employed directly or indirectly by the Kent Railway Company, or any other company, to put an article in the magazine; and there are those in the room that know it is not in the power of any one to get an article into the magazine.

5032. They lent you this plate?—Yes, as other companies have done.

5033. After the presentation of Mr. Warburton's petition, and in the number for March 1837, had you a little article in it on the subject of the Kent Railway?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.
The question was waived.

5034. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were you the author of that article on the Kent Railway [*showing the magazine to the Witness*]?—Yes. It has got editor to it; that is quite enough; I never put my name to what I do not write, I wish that to be understood distinctly.

5035. Just read to the Committee that article.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the reading of the article.
The article was withdrawn.

5036. Who are the shabby sheep you allude to here?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.
The question was withdrawn.

The plate was taken off long before that article was written.

5037. Mr. *Parkes.*] Were there any other names on the deed signed by you?—No.

5038. Uncles or aunts, or first or second cousins?—No.

5039. Do you know of any that have been signed by other people?—For what?

5040. Do you know of any nominees who have signed for other parties?—Certainly not.

5041. Have you procured any parties to sign?—Never; I never asked for it.

5042. Who witnessed Spencer Herapath?—I do not know.

5043. If the shares had been at a premium, or came out at a premium, should you have taken the scrip in the name of your son, Captain Herapath?—Yes, I think it likely; but whether it is or not, he will take it out when he comes home.

5044. Should you, or not, have taken it out for yourself, before he came home?—Certainly not, what belongs to him.

5045. Should you take out your young daughter's scrip?—I should have given it to her.

5046. You would not have paid up for them upon these shares?—I think it very likely.

5047. For both of them?—Yes; I had an opinion upon the line.

5048. Could you have paid up all the money?—Yes; and ten times as much.

5049. Ten times 15,000*l.*?—The deposits I speak of.

5050. I do not wish to affect your credit?—You are asking me a question most inquisitorially; I say I should be able to pay up all those instalments, as they became due, and a great deal more.

5051. What do you mean by instalments?—The sums subscribed.

5052. £.15,000 or 16,000*l.*?—Yes, I think so.

5053. Have you stated in the magazine you had no connexion with this company?—I was appointed superintendent to one of the lines, without my knowing it; I had nothing to do officially with the company, and that is the reason I stated that.

5054. What line were you appointed to superintend?—The Dover.

5055. What line?—The last year's line.

5056. What line?—The whole line.

5057. Was it communicated to you by a resolution?—I never knew it, till it was pointed out to me in an advertisement.

5058. You have appeared in an advertisement?—Yes; and in the prospectus.

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5059. I understood you to say, Mr. Hamond came into the office during the time this process of signing was taking place?—Yes.

5060. Was there any secrecy in the transaction?—Not the least.

5061. It was public, and open, and might have been seen by any person in the office?—Yes; a hundred, if they came in; it was in the open office.

5062. Some person said you were good for 10,000*l.*?—Yes; that they would take me for that.

5063. A sort of jocular observation?—Yes.

5064. And no secrecy in the transaction?—Certainly not.

Mr. *Thomas Phillpotts*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *T. Phillpotts.*

5065. ARE you the chairman of the North Kent Company?—Yes.

5066. Will you state to the Committee your residence and business?—My office, as a merchant, is in Fenchurch-street, 106; my residence at 3, Park-street, Westminster.

5067. Are you an American merchant?—No, principally a West Indian merchant.

5068. Have you been concerned as a director in several public companies in the last three or four years?—For the last year, or year and a half, I have been concerned in two or three companies.

5069. No more?—No, I think not; I will endeavour to name them all.

5070. Will you name them?—The Kent; previously to that, the Gravesend, which, of course, is the same thing; the Greenwich I was in, but I resigned; the London Joint Stock Bank.

5071. Were you in the London and Brighton?—No.

5072. Have you ever appeared in prospectuses for that?—No, I never heard of it, except that I was asked to take shares, and refused.

5073. You never saw your name in it?—No.

5074. Were you ever in the London, Salisbury and Exeter?—I was in it, but never with my consent; I heard I was there, but withdrew.

5075. Were you in the Dry-rot Company?—Yes, I was; I was chairman there.

5076. That you omitted?—I thought you meant railway companies.

5077. Besides railways, have you been in any others?—The Anti-Dry-rot, and the Joint Stock Bank.

5078. Were you originally a director in the Greenwich?—No; I bought shares in it at the latter end of 1834 or 1835; and after having been in it a year, or a year and a half, I withdrew, before last December.

5079. Were you in the original Gravesend, from first to last?—No, not in the first; I was in the second.

5080. The one the Bill of which was thrown out?—Yes.

5081. Were you a director of the Dover?—Yes, for the short time it was in existence, I was.

5082. You were one of the original promoters of the Kent?—Yes.

5083. One of the principals in the consolidation of the companies?—I was one of the directors who proposed the consolidation, and agreed to it.

5084. Being a director of the three?—No, the Dover had died; no Bill was sent in. It was proposed to consolidate all into the Kent, and the proprietors were called upon to express their dissent by a certain day.

5085.—It was dead, if not buried?—The funeral service was pretty well read over it.

5086. Did you take the chair from the commencement of the consolidation of the three projects?—Yes, I did; I was never regularly appointed, but it was understood I was the chairman.

5087. You were one of the original promoters of the line?—Yes.

5088. Were you a subscriber in all the three projects?—I took 300 shares, the number allotted to each director, in the Gravesend; I do not think I took any in the Dover.

5089. What was the nominal amount of the shares in the Gravesend?—I believe they were to be 20*l.* shares.

5090. Did

5090. Did you sign the Gravesend deed?—Yes.

5091. For how much?—I forget.

5092. Was it for 7,000*l.*?—I cannot charge my memory; the deed is here, I dare say; I have never seen it since.

5093. What do you mean by saying you had no shares in the Dover?—I do not think I had.

5094. Did you sign the deed for 5,000*l.*?—I do not think I did; I do not recollect.

5095. You stand at the Private Bill Office for 7,000*l.* in the Gravesend, and 5,000*l.* in the Dover, and 20,000*l.* in the Kent, as far as you recollect?—The two first, as well as I recollect; the last, certainly.

5096. And you continue a holder of those shares?—Yes.

5097. Did you diminish or increase them during that time?—Neither; I hold 150 of the consolidated shares, having exchanged 300 of the others; and my son has 18 consolidated shares.

5098. If you consolidated the Gravesend and Dover, it would amount to the consolidation of 12,000*l.*?—It had nothing to do with the deed; I exchanged the shares.

5099. How many for yourself did you consolidate in the Kent?—One-hundred and fifty; my son had 35 in the Dover; he paid 20*s.* more, and took 18 in the Kent.

5100. What proportion of your original subscription of 10,000*l.* in the Kent did that entitle you to?—Nothing at all; I could have asked for more or less.

5101. How many did you exchange for the Gravesend and Dover?—Three hundred and got 150.

5102. You got about 7,500*l.*?—Yes in 50*l.* shares.

5103. On those you paid no deposit?—The deposit was paid already; I had paid 300*l.* already.

5104. Did you pay the deposits upon the difference between the 7,500*l.* and 10,000*l.*?—I never took any more.

5105. You originally signed the 10,000*l.* to the Kent deed for more than you had?—I did not sign for shares, I signed for money.

5106. Then the Committee is to understand that the difference between the 7,500*l.* and the signature of 10,000*l.* you did not pay any extra deposit upon?—It was not necessary; if it had been requisite, I should have done so.

5107. Did you take an active part in the Gravesend; did you officiate as chairman?—Yes.

5108. Did you do the same in the Dover?—I do not recollect much about that; I will not be positive.

5109. In point of fact, were not the two directions of the Gravesend and the Dover principally composed of the same persons?—Principally; some were on the one and not on the other; but principally they were the same; there were four or five variations.

5110. The two projects had an intimate connection?—The second project was in consequence of some of the promoters of the first thinking it best to carry the line on to Dover: that stopping at Gravesend would not do.

5111. Were not you as a competing line to the South Eastern last session?—Yes.

5112. And gave an active opposition to that Bill?—As strong an opposition as they could.

5113. Was that opposition afterwards arranged?—Yes, after proceeding to a certain length.

5114. You were in Committee the greater part of a month?—I should say 28 days; I have that impression upon my mind.

5115. Do you recollect when you issued the first prospectus, after you came out of the Committee with a resolution in your favour to a certain degree; what time was it?—It was April or May; it was after Easter. If I could see the Report of the Committee, I could tell.

5116. Did you take any other proceedings except those of public advertisements or prospectus, to acquaint the shareholders in the Dover and Gravesend, that they might exchange in the new company?—None but by publicly advertising that it seemed to the directors of the two companies expedient that they should join, and calling upon all the shareholders who wished to receive their money back again, to apply to the office for it, before a certain day.

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5117. Is that the first prospectus that was issued; look at the date at the bottom [*Handing a paper to the Witness*]?—"Kent Railway Office, the 28th of May." No, that is not the first.

5118. Do you remember the first?—It must have been before the 24th of April, because that was the day when all dissentients were to be noticed, to the best of my recollection.

5119. Did you direct any circular to be sent to subscribers?—No; in fact we did not know who the subscribers were; it was impossible to send a circular, when the shares had been bought and sold 50 times over.

5120. Did you not know that they had a liability on the deed?—I did not advert to the deed: I knew that the persons had liberty to come in and exchange them, or claim the money.

5121. You only put in an advertisement?—That was the only proceeding taken.

5122. What authority was there in the prospectus of the 28th of May for stating the following passage: "The capital required to carry into effect this great national work is estimated at two millions sterling, the greater part of which has been provided by an arrangement, under which the property and interests of the late London and Gravesend and London and Dover companies have been transferred to the present enterprize;" what authority was there for such advertised announcement?—The opinion of the directors that 2,000,000 *l.* were amply sufficient.

5123. The transfer?—The transfer we had already, by the consolidation of the two companies, secured; I think, about 30,000 shares having been taken.

5124. Where does that appear in your written proceedings?—I do not know; I have not looked at that.

5125. Do you mean to state that as a matter in your knowledge on that day?—It was in my own personal knowledge that 32,000 or 33,000 shares had been taken, and it was on that knowledge I consented to that appearing.

5126. You speak of the Gravesend and Dover?—Yes, the consolidation.

5127. What authority had you for the assertion that these parties had consented to it?—Because they had had notice the month before, and not dissented.

5128. Was that the only knowledge you had?—Yes; if they had objected to it, they would have given us notice a month before.

5129. As chairman of the consolidated scheme, did you take any steps to inform yourself in whose hands the scrip was?—I had nothing to do with it.

5130. Did you not consider it a very material thing that you should get a good *bonâ fide* list of subscribers?—We had a good *bonâ fide* list. Look at the Gravesend deed; a more substantial and *bonâ fide* list never came before Parliament; the whole was *bonâ fide* from beginning to end; and we considered that the same parties would continue, as they had not dissented.

5131. Although you have stated that the scrip had so changed hands, you could not tell where it was?—Yes, it had nothing to do with that; whoever had the scrip, had a right to exchange it; we could not dispute it.

5132. What knowledge had you that they were willing to sign the deed for a fresh company to such an amount?—They had bought their scrip, subject to the liability the persons had entered into who had sold it to them: we had a very large sum of money in hand, and apprehended no liability whatever.

5133. You mean no liability as directors, for want of funds?—The liability of the deed ceased, when the Act was obtained; and we had money enough to pay the expenses of the Act.

5134. Did the Gravesend deed enable you to apply to Parliament a second session?—I do not know; you must look at the deed.

5135. I want to know what knowledge you had, as a holder of Gravesend and Dover scrip, who were the responsible parties from whom you could rear a third company?—My own opinion; having given notice to them to express their dissent; and all the friends I asked said, "You are quite right, go on; I agree with you." I considered they were liable, if the Act was not obtained; but having so large a sum of money in hand, I did not anticipate any liability, nor can there be.

5136. You mean liability, the expenses of getting the Act?—I considered that personal liability would cease, when the Act was obtained; that the liabilities would be defined by the Act.

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5137. You were aware that the Gravesend scrip was at a considerable premium at one time?—Yes.

5138. And when the Bill was thrown out, it was at a discount?—Yes.

5139. Were you aware there was a very considerable purchase of scrip, after the Bill was thrown out?—I know nothing of it.

5140. Did you take any pains as a board to ascertain the state of the market?—No, we had nothing to with that.

5141. Was not it a very material feature to ask you, whether you could get a good list of subscribers?—No, I always repudiated the market, as a director.

5142. Do you not know, before you could apply for leave to bring in a Bill this session, you had to lodge a list of subscribers *bonâ fide*, and prove before Committees of both Houses that it was a competent subscription in amount, and *bonâ fide* in character?—I do not know the words of the Standing Order; I left that entirely to the solicitors; the deed was a matter which the secretaries had to attend to.

5143. Is the Committee to understand, that your knowledge, as chairman of the board, was so limited, that you did not know you had to be prepared with a list competent in amount of parties able to pay?—I understood a list was requisite, and the secretaries were instructed to get the signatures necessary; but the words of the Resolution of the House of Commons I was not acquainted with, nor did I give myself any concern about it. Allow me to call your own recollection to the South Eastern Committee, at which questions of this sort were proposed; the Committee would not allow it to be gone into.

5144. Do you state that of your own personal knowledge, from being present?—Yes.

5145. Do you mean to state, that the responsibility of the South Eastern List was never a matter of inquiry?—In the crowd where I was, perhaps not hearing every word distinctly, I understood that an objection was taken to some persons, I will not be positive who: but some officer of the company having signed two or three times for a large amount, and I think I heard the question put, whether he was worth that money, and the Committee would not allow it to be put.

5146. That is the extent of your knowledge?—My impression; it is 12 months ago.

5147. Was the first prospectus, after you came out of that Committee, for a new company, with a line to go from Greenwich to Ramsgate?—Yes.

5148. When did you alter your prospectus to go to Dover?—After seeing that the South Eastern had, as I thought, played us false, and instigated two other cross lines to interfere with ours.

5149. Did you have any communication with the South Eastern, upon the subject?—I had had previously, when they had pledged themselves to a certain agreement; I considered they had broken that agreement; I therefore felt myself no longer under any delicacy upon the subject.

5150. What were the first instructions to your surveyor?—Our first instructions were these. Mr. Walker was requested, not as an engineer, for the engineer was not then appointed, but to go down into the country and survey it, and to give information to the directors as to the best possible line from London to the coast, having reference to the interests of the company as well as the interests of the public; but decidedly we wished to know, what was the best for the public as well as the shareholders.

5151. Was he limited originally to Ramsgate?—No, at least I think not; there was no limit, I think; he was to go down and find out whether there was a good *bonâ fide* line, which had been disputed; and to report to us his opinion, which was best for the shareholders and the public.

5152. Did you not very early discover, as chairman of the Kent Company, the public were not very anxious for shares?—Certainly not.

5153. How many original shares did you issue?—There were no shares issued, except the consolidation of the shares; no Kent shares were intended to be issued.

5154. Was not there a very limited application for shares?—I do not know that there was any application at all; there might be.

5155. Did any application for shares ever come before the board?—I cannot charge my memory that any application was made for new shares in the Kent; the applications, if any, were made to the secretaries.

5156. Do you not know that the exchanges of the whole of the Dover and

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Gravesend shares would make a very inadequate capital for two millions?—I consider not; it would have been a very good capital.

5157. What would it have amounted to?—About 900,000*l.*, near 1,000,000*l.*

5158. How do you make out that?—A half of 36,000 is 18,000, and five times 18,000 gives you 900,000.

5159. Had you ever 36,000 issued?—To the best of my recollection 30,000 were issued of the Gravesend, and my impression is 5,000 or 6,000 Dover.

5160. How many were paid upon in the two?—We received about 28,000*l.*

5161. Was not that the extent of the scrip taken out?—I do not know what scrip was taken out; I only looked at the banker's book.

5162. Multiply 28,000*l.* by 25?—That would come to 700,000*l.*

5163. What were your plans for raising the rest of the capital?—The subject never came into our thoughts; we thought it best to do one thing at a time, and get our Act first.

5164. Upon allotting the Gravesend shares, were you the chairman?—The subject of the allotment of the shares was referred to a committee; I was not on that committee, being chairman: that committee sat and investigated all the applications, which, to the best of my recollection, were about 90,000; they sat three or four days.

5165. Are you speaking of your own knowledge?—I am speaking of the report of the committee to the board; they gave in a list of those persons whom they thought the most eligible, the most wealthy and the most respectable, and they did allot 28,000 or 30,000 shares; having had 90,000 applications, it required a great deal of time to strike out 60,000.

5166. Did you not proceed upon the principle, of not giving any one a refusal?—I do not think any one had a refusal; the shares were allotted to those we considered the best, and we could not refuse any of the 60,000; it would have been endless; they got no shares, and that was the refusal; the committee selected the individuals to have the shares.

5167. *Chairman.*] Who was chairman of that committee?—I cannot charge my memory; it is a year and a half ago.

5168. Are there any books of the company that will show?—The minute-book of the Gravesend will show, I should think.

5169. Who gave you that information?—The secretary received all the letters applying for shares, and registered them all in a book, and that has been produced.

5170. Who gave you information as to the pains this committee took in sifting the applications for shares?—Some one of the committee.

5171. Do you know who it was?—I cannot charge my memory.

5172. Mr. *Parkes.*] Can you recollect that no persons hardly were refused shares?—There was no refusal given to any of the 90,000 persons; 28,000 were allotted; consequently, those who did not get shares, might consider that they were refused; but it would be endless to answer all the letters sent.

5173. You do not mean that 90,000 persons applied, but 90,000 shares?—Yes.

5174. Do you not mean to admit that there were some shares allotted to every applicant?—Decidedly not.

5175. What number do you think did not get any shares?—I cannot answer, I do not recollect; the book has been produced.

5176. In the board of directors of the Kent Railway Company, when did you begin first to bestir yourself about a competent list of subscribers for the House of Commons?—I never began to stir myself at all; it was left to the secretaries. All I know is, when I was applied to sign it, I did sign. That was the duty of the secretaries; no gentleman would give up his time to look after those things.

5177. As a member of several directions, do you not know that the directors consider that a part, and a most material part, of their duty?—Certainly not; I never had anything to do with getting up a deed for the House of Commons but this.

5178. Do you recollect when it was the deed first came for signatures to the directors?—No.

5179. What part of the year?—I cannot say; it must be either in July or October; it could not have been in August or September; I was abroad up to the 15th.

5180. Did you all sign your first subscriptions at a board-room meeting?—No.

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5181. Did you, most of you, sign for 10,000*l.*?—I signed for 10,000*l.* at the office, not at a board; probably on the day of the meeting of the board, before they met, but certainly at the office.

5182. From the time of your signature, and the first subscription down to these alterations, did you not take any trouble, as chairman of the directors of the company, in the ascertainment of the characters of the parties signing the deed?—Not the least.

5183. You left the whole of that to your secretaries?—Entirely. Allow me to say, the secretary had had the Gravesend business left entirely to him, and he got his deed signed in a most excellent manner; he was a person that did not require, in my opinion, to be looked after; he had shown his conduct in that.

5184. Were you informed of the character of the subscription deed to the Gravesend?—Yes; when the subscription deed of the South Eastern was canvassed, the subscription deed of the Gravesend was shown in the House of Commons, and many persons, I cannot say who, said there was never a more respectable deed produced.

5185. They were for a much smaller amount in that deed?—I do not know; I have never examined either one deed or the other.

5186. I wish to know, whether you, as a director of the Gravesend Company, took any trouble personally as a director, or at any board meeting, to ascertain the responsibility of the parties signing?—None whatever.

5187. Do you remember the board meeting on Tuesday the 14th of February last?—Perfectly.

5188. Did you understand, at that day's meeting, that the estimate of Mr. Walker would considerably exceed 2,000,000*l.*?—I think, on the morning of that day, on my way to the city, I had called at our office, I think in the morning, before the board met, about 10 o'clock, and Mr. Smith told me that Mr. Walker's estimate was 3,000,000*l.*

5189. Did he come up to your house?—No.

5190. Where did he tell you?—At Grabham's, Little Bridge-street.

5191. Had you any knowledge, previous to that day, that the estimate would probably exceed 2,000,000*l.*?—Certainly not.

5192. Neither direct from Mr. Walker, nor any other person?—Neither the one nor the other.

5193. What passed at the board-meeting of that day, Tuesday the 14th, on the subject of the increase of estimate, or any deficiency in the subscription list?—I think it was Mr. Smith, at least one of the secretaries, stated that Mr. Walker's estimate was 3,000,000*l.* for completing the work; that it would therefore be necessary to have a larger subscription list than was at first contemplated; and he said, perhaps the directors may consider it necessary to increase their own subscriptions. I said, immediately, I would double mine, and did so, by altering 10,000*l.* to 20,000*l.*

5194. Well?—I have answered the question.

5195. What further was done by other individuals?—Several did the same; some objected to do it.

5196. Do you know what gross increase was then placed on the deed?—I do not know.

5197. Was it upwards of 70,000*l.*?—I do not know; it was never mentioned, and I never added it up.

5198. At that meeting did you take any trouble to ascertain among you, what was the aggregate amount upon the deed?—None whatever; we referred that to the secretaries and solicitors; after we had filled up our own subscriptions, nothing more was said upon the subject.

5199. You made no inquiries of the secretaries what was the amount of the subscription then recorded on the deed, or what further sum was required?—I do not recollect any inquiry of the sort.

5200. Had any one in your presence, or you, looked over the deed?—I saw no one look over the deed; I never looked it over myself.

5201. Were you entirely ignorant of any subscription of the deed, except by the members of the direction?—Entirely; I do not know a single individual who had signed the deed, but the directors who had signed it in my presence.

5202. Were any instructions given to the secretaries at the board, to obtain increased subscriptions?—I do not know that any instructions were given, but it

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it was understood that the deed would be got ready by the time it was, two days before the deed was lodged.

5203. *Chairman.*] When you say that it was the understanding that the deed would be got ready, you mean that it was the understanding that a sufficient number of subscriptions would be obtained to make up the 50 per cent.?—To the best of my recollection, what passed was this: Mr. Smith drew the attention of the board to the increase of the estimate, and then said perhaps the directors will increase their subscriptions. I immediately said, "I will double mine;" which I did; most of the others did the same; one or two refused; and I really cannot recollect that anything more passed.

5204. Did you know, that after these additions had been made, the amount of the subscriptions was still insufficient to make up the 50 per cent. upon the 3,000,000 *l.*?—I really cannot say whether I did or not; I took no notice of it; nothing more was said.

5205. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you mean, although you increased your subscription by such a considerable amount as double your original subscription, you did not know there was not a very large deficiency in the deed?—I did not know that there was a very large deficiency in the deed. There was a deficiency, and it was stated there was a deficiency, and it was necessary to get more.

5206. And you knew you were approaching the time necessary to lodge the deed?—Yes.

5207. Do you know the day when it was to be lodged?—It was not determined whether it was to be on the Thursday or the Friday; I knew it must be before the Friday, and the list was given back to the secretaries, to do the needful.

5208. Were the solicitors present?—One or two of them were.

5209. Were they present during the discussion?—Yes.

5210. *Chairman.*] Which of them?—I think it was Mr. Woodgate and Mr. Vallance; I am not very certain of it; I do not think it was Mr. Macdougal.

5211. Mr. *Parkes.*] In the alteration of the amount of your subscription you were aware you were responsible on the deed to that amount?—As far as the deed went; but I considered whenever the Act passed, my liability on the deed ceased; that was my impression at the time, that is my impression still; I may be wrong.

5212. Are you not aware, that supposing you had taken out scrip for 20,000 *l.* after the passing of the Act, and the market had become depreciated, and the scrip too, and the scrip-holders had refused their deposits, you would be liable upon your signature of the contract-deed, representing that 20,000 *l.*?—I considered the Act made its own liability, and after that passed, any liability upon the deed would cease. I state my impression and feeling, that such was the nature of the deed and the contract I entered into, and which every one entered into.

5213. Did you read the contract before you signed it?—Yes, when I signed it for the first 10,000 *l.*; the contract was read by several, and the subject was mentioned, and it was the general understanding that such was the fact.

5214. Were you at the board after it broke up, the 14th?—Certainly not; when I went away, it broke up.

5215. Were you at the office the following day?—Not in the city; I think every morning I called at the office here at Grabham's, but never went into the city but the board days.

5216. On the board day following the 14th, did you inquire of the secretaries, or make any examination of them, as to what increase of the subscription list had been obtained?—The 21st was the following Tuesday, and the following Tuesday I called in as usual at Grabham's, where the private committee sat. When I was there, Mr. Borradaile came in, and took me on one side; he said, "Phillpotts, are you aware that there is something very wrong in our deed?" Of course I was not aware, and expressed my astonishment. He said, "Do you know that some persons have signed the deed, who are not men of property, men of straw?" I said I was not aware of it, but invited him into a private room. He and I went into a private room, and called the two secretaries in, when Mr. Borradaile mentioned what he had heard. That was the first intimation I had ever heard of anything like an objection to the deed.

5217. What was it he had heard?—That some persons had signed who were men of straw, and that money had been given by persons to obtain signatures, and we asked the secretaries.

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5218. What did they say?—They both denied having given money, or having any knowledge of money having been given; with respect to persons being men of straw, they said that to every one who brought scrip to exchange, they considered they were bound to give scrip, and take their signature.

5219. Was the substance of the conversation with Mr. Borradaile the first impression you had that the deed was signed by men of straw?—Decidedly the first; most undoubtedly.

5220. As far as your impression went, you do not care whether it had been signed by men of straw or not?—Decidedly; I never inquired.

5221. Was it the first impression you had that such a deed lodged in the House of Commons ought to be signed by men of property and substance?—The first idea that ever entered into my brain was, that there was any objection to any signatures in the deed.

5222. Was that the first impression you had that such a deed lodged in the House of Commons ought to be signed by men of property and substance?—I do not say what ought to be done; I have told you facts: I told you the fact of Mr. Borradaile communicating to me there was an objection to our deed. I told you that was the first time I had ever heard there was an objection to the deed; your question goes to first impressions.

5223. Did you or did you not know that such deeds ought to be signed by men of honour and responsibility?—Decidedly not.

5224. Notwithstanding you were the director of several companies?—I have said I was not aware, that in any company I had to assist in getting up a deed but this.

5225. Except the Gravesend?—It is the same thing, the one going to the other; the Gravesend and the Dover were the parents, and the Kent the child.

5226. And being upon the Greenwich?—I knew nothing of the Greenwich, till they were at work; I bought my shares and paid up the money.

5227. As far as you were concerned, if your Kent Railway deed had been signed by a regiment of Horse Guards, it would have been as good as any other?—In my opinion, quite as good.

5228. Do you recollect Mr. Green coming to your office for the signatures of any of your clerks?—No.

5229. Do you recollect the interview you had with him on the Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday?—I had many interviews with him; he was in the habit of coming there to report, or ask instructions.

5230. Did anything pass upon the deed?—Not a word, that I recollect.

5231. Without relation to the necessary character of the deed, why did not the directors sign for the requisite amount?—You had better ask them.

5232. Why did you not sign for it?—I signed for what I conceived right, 20,000 *l.* instead of 10,000 *l.*

5233. If there was a deficiency in the deed, and you had that idea of its character, why did you not ask the secretaries the requisite amount, and sign all round?—If I had been asked, I might have signed for 100,000 *l.*, in the same way as Mr. Rothschild would sign for 20,000,000 *l.* with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and distribute it among his friends afterwards; if it had been a necessary thing, I do not know that I should have refused.

5234. When did you first know one of your clerks had signed the deed?—Since the petition was presented to the Honourable House and this Committee.

5235. Had nothing passed between you and Mr. Green on the subject of allowing your clerks to sign?—Certainly not; my clerk, who has signed this, is a man of wealth and respectability, and I never inquired what he did with his money, or had anything to do with it.

5236. Had you read that petition, before you signed the petition to the House, to appear here by counsel or agents?—I drew it up.

5237. Had you read the original petition, presented by the chairman?—Yes; before I drew up that petition, requesting to be heard by counsel, and quickly, not to have it hanging over our heads.

5238. After you had read that petition, did you make any inquiry about the allegations in it?—Yes, I did, and found there were a great many falsehoods in it, with a shade of truth.

5239. What was the falsehood?—That it was a bubble company.

5240. Where do you find that there is any such allegation?—There is the meaning, though not the words.

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5241. State to the Committee any other falsehood in it?—That the directors had acted improperly: and I believe it was said in the House, that they had acted flagitiously; which made my blood boil.

5242. What other false allegation is there in it?—The whole of the charges against the directors are as false as possible.

5243. What are?—I cannot recollect the words of the petition.

5244. Take the petition and tell us the parts?—Anything like a scandalous imposition upon the *bonâ fide* subscribers, I believe that to be a falsehood.

5245. Do you not think this is a scandalous imposition upon the *bonâ fide* subscribers?—Certainly not.

5246. Not by a deed signed as this is?—I cannot argue the point; I will answer any question you put to me.

5247. Do you not deem you have very palpably neglected your duty as chairman of that direction, in not inquiring into the character of the holders of exchange scrip, and those who signed the deed?—Certainly not; any man who was a holder of Gravesend or Dover shares, had a right to come and demand the scrip; even a chimney-sweeper; it was his property.

5248. Mr. *Dugdale.*] It would be impossible for you to find out who were the holders of scrip till they produced it?—Impossible.

5249. *Chairman.*] Was not it the act of the board of directors that gave to the holders of scrip in the Gravesend and Dover company the right of demanding shares in the Kent?—The holders of the Dover and Gravesend scrip, when the Gravesend Bill was lost, were asked, by the joint direction of the two companies, whether they would have their money back again, or go on with the new company, to be called the "Kent." Any person who did not dissent, was considered to have given his assent; and however he might have become possessed of those shares, we had no right to refuse him.

5250. Was not it the act of the direction of the Kent company which gave to the holders of the scrip in the Gravesend and Dover company the right to demand shares in the Kent company?—No; the Kent company could not be formed until the day had passed when they were to give their assent or dissent.

5251. Was not it by the act of the board of directors of the Kent company that the holders of the scrip in the Gravesend and Dover company acquired that which you call a right?—No; it was the act of the joint directors of the Gravesend and Dover, which recommended the subscribers to do this, but gave them the option of doing it or not; there was no Kent company till the day had passed for them to give their assent or not.

5252. Mr. *Parkes.*] Mr. Phillpotts?—Am I to go through the petition.

5253. Yes.—I certainly felt this was a falsehood: "That a large portion of the said subscription represents needy and indigent persons, of inferior station in life, deeply engaged in bubble companies and gambling transactions, and utterly unable to pay the sums affixed to their respective names in the said lists, or even the deposits required thereon." I know there were no such persons as gamblers upon it, nor did it deserve the name of a bubble company; if ever there was a *bonâ fide* company before the public, this was one example, and my blood boiled upon reading that statement. This I felt a falsehood: I supposed the promoters of the Bill alluded to the directors; and it is said that, "on the 14th of February," which I know was a meeting of the directors, "some of the promoters of the said Bill procured the attendance of such numbers of indigent and gambling persons." Now if promoters meant directors, as I conceive it did, I know that was as false as possible. "That other indigent and gambling persons have signed the deed for sums of 25,000 *l.* each;" I felt that that was false, and must be false. Then, "that your petitioners have reason to believe;" having said that a considerable proportion was of one description, that "another and considerable portion represents many persons of a doubtful character, wholly unable to meet the engagements covenanted for by the said deed;" that I considered false. This I considered decidedly false: "That such subscription list contains petitioners' names, and the names of other persons, whose abode and quality are not therein truly described." I felt that to be false. This I felt to be false: "That on and before the 14th day of February, two days preceding the deposit of the said subscription lists, estimate and documents in the Private Bill Office, the promoters of the Bill had not obtained the requisite proportion of subscription of one-half of the estimated expense." No, I withdraw that; I do not say that was false. This I felt to be false;

false: "That your petitioners have reason to believe that part of the subscriptions of 1,590,150 *l.*, subscribed by persons residing in Bristol, Birmingham, Liverpool, Manchester, and so on, are mostly covenanted to be paid by persons of no responsibility for the sums attached to their names:" I know that those persons, last year, sent up money for their shares, and some money was returned to them; and I felt the winding up was false: "That if such fraudulent and bubble schemes," evidently calling this one, "are allowed to enter Parliament," and so on. I consider that the Honourable Gentleman who presented the petition had been deceived; otherwise he would not have made use of the language he did in The House, calling it flagitious.

5254. That was your first impression?—Yes, and under that I drew up the petition.

5255. Subsequent to the presentation of that petition, have you taken any pains to ascertain the character of the deposited list?—I have heard of complaints, but consider them not of much consequence.

5256. Up to this time, have you ever seen a copy of the subscription list, or of the deed?—Certainly not.

5257. Never?—Never.

5258. Notwithstanding the presentation of that petition?—I have other business to attend to.

5259. It is a pity you have?—I am much obliged to you for your advice, but I will follow my own.

5260. Are you aware that evidence has been given before this Committee, that nearly 300,000*l.* on that deed has been signed by needy, indigent and gambling persons, who have been paid for so doing?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.
The question was waived.

5261. Mr. *Parkes.*] If it has been proved that a very considerable sum of money——?—I know nothing of what has been proved.

5262. If it has been given in evidence that a considerable sum appears signed to that deed by needy, indigent and gambling persons, who have received small sums of money so to sign; should you consider the allegation false?—That is not a fair way to ask; ask me the question, and I will answer it; to lead me in that way, and then follow it up in that manner, is not fair.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

5263. *Chairman.*] Is your present impression the same with your first, which you have already stated to the Committee, that the allegation in the petition, presented by the Chairman of this Committee, that a number of needy, indigent and gambling persons had signed that deed was false?—My impression is precisely as it was, when I drew up that petition, except that I have since heard there was money given to some individuals, which I then was not aware of.

5264. Mr. *Parkes.*] Is your impression still the same?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.
The question was waived.

5265. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you still consider that it is an untrue allegation in the petition, that there are fictitious names in the subscription list, and addresses?—Yes, I do.

5266. Do you still consider that it is an untrue allegation in the petition, that a considerable proportion of the subscription deed does not represent *bonâ fide* persons?—I do.

5267. Do you still consider it an untrue allegation in the petition, representing this company to be a fraudulent and bubble company in relation to these allegations?—Decidedly untrue in every way.

5268. You withdrew the charge of the false part of half the capital being subscribed?—There is nothing false in that; strike out that which I withdrew; it struck me at the moment as being the amount signed the 14th of February.

5269. In the Gravesend committee a sub-committee of four or five gentlemen was appointed, who bestowed four days' labour on the characters of the applicants for shares?—Three or four days.

5270. Do you not consider that that was a material part of the duty of that direction?—Yes; when 90,000 were asked, and we had only 30,000 to give, it was our duty to give them to the most respectable persons.

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5271. Supposing that 90,000 had been applied for by needy, indigent and gambling persons, should you not have deemed it your duty to have refused them any shares?—It is very difficult for me to say who is a gambling person; for in the city, what is gambling at one moment, is speculation at another, and you may say they are all gamblers together.

5272. *Chairman.*] Suppose you knew that the applicants for 90,000 shares had been needy, indigent and gambling persons?—If I had known a single individual had been a needy and gambling person, I should have refused the shares to that one.

5273. Mr *Parkes.*] I ask you whether if the Kent Railway Company, with you as chairman, had been an original company, and not one formed of a turn-over of shares in other companies, would you not then have deemed it a material part of your duty as chairman and director, to ascertain the characters of the parties and their pecuniary responsibility, applying for shares?—How can I answer a question, upon a thing that never occurred. I appeal to the Committee. The thing never did take place. How could I tell what would be done? There were no application for shares. [*The question was again read.*] I object to the question; it is hypothetical.

5274. *Chairman.*] With your experience in companies, you must be able to give an answer as to the proper conduct of a chairman under those circumstances?—My conduct as chairman would have been to have done what they did in the Gravesend.

5275. Mr. *Parkes.*] By that answer do you mean, that they took steps to ascertain the characters of the applicants for shares?—I mean, if there were more applicants for shares, I should have appointed a committee to ascertain the parties the most fit to have the shares allotted to them.

5276. *Chairman.*] If the number of shares applied for had only been equal to those it was intended to issue, do you think the chairman of a board of direction would be released from the duty, in that case, of inquiring into the responsibility of the persons applying for shares?—It is perfectly hypothetical. I do not know how they would have acted; it is a matter of feeling at the moment; what I saw in the market or in the public feeling it is an hypothesis entirely; I might say, you have no right to go further than say, let them have their shares, and pay the deposit; or I might say, you must go and inquire who the parties are.

5277. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you not know, in the last two or three years, there has been a great deal of gambling or speculation in companies' shares, particularly railway shares?—Last year I know there was a very considerable speculation; I was not aware of any before last year.

5278. Do you not know that many individuals, holding shares in this company, intend to hold, as payers of the entire deposit?—Yes, they hold shares, and intend to pay the entire deposit.

5279. Do you not think it was a part of your duty, as chairman, to ascertain the pecuniary responsibility of the other portions of the list; they are copartners in the list?—I tell you my feeling was, that they ascertained the respectability of 30,000 out of 90,000: the thing has been answered half a dozen times.

5280. Do you mean to say, that the number of shares applied for is any test?—No, certainly not; but where three times as many shares are applied for as the directors have to give, the directors would select the most eligible persons, to become shareholders.

5281. Are your shareholders in the Kent Railway Company represented by the contract deed?—I cannot say; I have never looked over the body at large; I know the directors, and some other individuals.

5282. Are you entirely ignorant of the character of the subscribers and the holders of the scrip of the Kent Railway Company, excepting the directors, who sit with you at the board, and a few other individuals, friends of your own?—Yes; except the directors, I do not know 10 other individuals; I may be correct if I said five.

5283. Do you know the sum of 90,000 *l.* being represented in that deed by the clerks and nominees of one of your solicitors?—Certainly not.

5284. If you had known that, should you have objected to the deed?—I cannot tell what I should have done; if you will ask me facts, I will answer you.

5285. If you had known of a father signing for daughters under age, should you have objected to it?—If any one had asked me, whether any person should sign as a minor, I should have said, it ought not to be; I did not allow my son

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to sign it, and he had shares bought with his own money; being a minor, I should have said it was improper.

5286. Do you think your other directors are equally ignorant with yourself of the list?—I may be ignorant; you had better ask them.

5287. You have never had any information from them at the board of any knowledge of theirs of the character of the list?—When the deed was first produced before the board, Mr. Woodgate was present; and I asked Mr. Woodgate, in the presence of the directors, whether I was correct in my idea of their responsibility; he said, I was; that he construed it in the same manner.

5288. To your knowledge, was there any sub-committee or any deputation of your board of directors at any time nominated, to ascertain what was the character of your subscribers to the deed?—Certainly not.

5289. Did you ever cause to be made out, or was it ever made out, by your board, or by the secretary by the direction of the board, an analysis of the persons subscribing in the three projects, namely, the Gravesend, Dover and Kent?—No, I never heard of any analysis of the sort.

5290. Are you aware there are very few persons in the Kent Railway holding shares, who held in the Gravesend?—I am not aware one way or the other.

5291. At what time did the exchange of scrip begin, to your knowledge?—I cannot say; it must have been subsequent to the month of April; further than that I cannot say; I cannot say any day when the first exchange took place.

5292. Was not the majority of the scrip exchanged much later?—I cannot say; I think I exchanged my own the latter end of September; but that I cannot say; it might have been October or July.

5293. How did you intend to procure the necessary addition to the subscription list for passing the House of Lords?—When we go to the House of Lords, I will tell you.

5294. If you had the knowledge that your secretary, after the meeting of the 14th of February, had obtained a very considerable addition to that deed, by taking it round to parties not intending to take *bonâ fide* shares, should you have deemed them justified in the transaction?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The Committee decided that the question could not be put.

5295. Mr. *Parkes.*] On becoming acquainted with the presentation of that petition, did you or not take steps, as chairman of the board, to ascertain the truth or falsehood of the allegations?—I told you, the moment I heard there was an objection to the deed, I called the two secretaries into a private room, and in the presence of Mr. Borradaile asked if there was any truth in the allegation, and both denied it. The petition was presented that evening to the House of Commons, and I read with considerable pain some remarks made applied to the directors; but I never interfered further, than to present a petition, praying to be heard as quickly as possible, and that our counsel might represent us.

5296. Do you not know that the shares in this Kent Railway were never favourite shares in the market?—I was never a dealer in them, and cannot judge of favouritism.

5297. As chairman of the committee, do you not know they never bore a premium?—They did bear a premium. I am not a share-jobber or dealer.

5298. I am not imputing that?—They did bear a premium; the day before the Bill was lost, they were at a premium.

5299. You are speaking of the Gravesend?—Yes. I beg your pardon; the Kent was never in the market.

5300. Did you ever hear of the Gravesend, for the purpose of exchange, after the Bill was thrown out, being at a premium?—No.

5301. Do you know who procured the signatures to the petition for the Bill; do you know what I mean?—No, I do not; I do not know who signed it.

5302. Was the petition for the Bill signed by any of the directors at the board meeting?—Not when I was present.

5303. Did you ever hear of the scrip of the Gravesend after the loss of the Gravesend Bill, being at a premium?—Never.

5304. Do you not know it was at a considerable depreciation?—I believe it was.

5305. How many original shares in the Kent Railway Company were issued?—One hundred and fifty.

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5306. Do you recollect at all the nature of Mr. Walker's three reports; whether they related at all to the estimate?—No, certainly not; they did not.

5307. Are the Committee to understand that, up to the 14th of February you continued to advertise the capital of this company at 2,000,000 *l.* without having any definite report from the engineers or surveyors of the cost of the line?—Up to the 14th February I considered, and so did everybody else, I believe, that two millions were ample.

5308. Upon what data?—The previous estimate of the Gravesend and Dover, and something additional for going across the Medway; the previous estimate was 1,600,000*l.*

5309. Upon the impression received by the Committee on 14th, did you not take into consideration the expediency and propriety of discontinuing the application for the Bill this Session?—Certainly not; because that would have allowed you to walk over the course.

5310. Who do you mean?—The South Eastern.

5311. What do you mean by the South Eastern?—You know yourself; you were the person representing the South Eastern, when we entered into an arrangement last year; and being the representative of the South Eastern then, I consider you so now.

5312. You have no authority for that?—I have decidedly your own presence, and your own authority last year.

5313. You mean, I attended the deputation that met you last year?—I mean to say, I went to the South Eastern office, in company with our solicitors, to meet a deputation of the committee of the South Eastern, and you were one of them, and took decidedly a lead on the occasion.

5314. In a certain negotiation?—In a negotiation.

5315. Then, on the 14th of February, neither you, nor to your knowledge the board, had any knowledge of what quantum of subscription existed on the deed?—No.

5316. And although an extra million was necessary, in consequence of the estimate of Mr. James Walker, you did not take into consideration the expediency of delaying the application till you had increased the list *bonâ fide*?—No, decidedly not; I would have put my name down for 100,000 *l.* instead of 20,000*l.* if I had thought it necessary.

5317. Who is Mr. Walter?—He is one of the directors, and resident director of the Greenwich.

5318. Are you intimate with Mr. Brothers?—I was acquainted with him from meeting him at the board of directors of the Kent.

5319. No otherways?—No.

5320. Did you know he was a subscriber for 45,000 *l.*?—I did not.

5321. Had you any knowledge whatever, between the 14th day of February and the presentation of the petition by the honourable Chairman, of any increase to your deed, and how procured?—I know there must have been an increase, for it was said at the board an increase was necessary, but as to how it was procured I had never any knowledge whatever.

5322. Was it a board-day of the following Tuesday?—Yes; that was the day I first heard it.

5323. The secretaries were then asked what they had procured?—No; it was on the Tuesday at 10 o'clock Mr. Borradaile first communicated the fact to me, and I called the secretaries into the private room with Mr. Borradaile and myself, and asked them their knowledge of those charges, and they entirely disclaimed them.

5324. Are they still in the employment of the board?—Yes, certainly.

5325. Have you had any communication with Mr. Hamond, to know whether what related to him was false or not in the petition?—I think it was on that Tuesday evening, on looking into Grabham's, Mr. Hamond was there, and upon his commencing to speak on it, Mr. Ronald was there, and the two secretaries; I said, "Mr. Hamond, do not let me hear one word from you; communicate with your counsel and solicitor."

Mr. *Thesiger* postponed his cross-examination till to-morrow.

Garth was called but did not answer.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Warburton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornley.
Mr. A. Chapman.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Dugdale.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. John Young.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	

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Mr. *John Herapath*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

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5326. DO you wish to make any corrections in your evidence of yesterday?—Yes; it is a part which was meant figuratively, and which may be taken literally, as to my being able to pay ten times the amount: I meant considerably more; ten times the amount is a considerable sum. The other is, I believe, I was asked whether I had ever signed this deed. I said I had signed the Dover; I did not sign that deed, it was the Eastern counties'; I signed that for my son. The Eastern counties' is the only one I ever signed for myself. I wish to set those two points right if it is to go forth to the public; that is all I wish to say.

Mr. *Thesiger* said he did not intend to cross-examine Mr. Phillpotts, inasmuch as Mr. Parkes had been good enough to bring out, in his examination, every thing favourable to the company.

Mr. *Parkes* applied to the Committee to order the production of the lists of application for shares in the Kent railway.

Mr. *Lancaster* produced the list alluded to, which was ordered to be inserted in the Minutes. (*Vide* Appendix.)

5327. (To Mr. *Lancaster*). Does this contain the payments of the deposits upon shares?—Yes.

5328. Does it contain the allotments?—Yes.

5329. Have there been any entries made in this book since the presentation of the petition by the honourable Chairman?—Not one.

Mr. *James Chipchase*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *J. Chipchase*.

5330. WHERE do you reside?—At Dartford, in the county of Kent.

5331. What is your business?—In the office of Mr. Fooks.

5332. In what character?—As a clerk.

5333. Have you been there long?—Ten months.

5334. Were you in a solicitor's office before?—Yes, and a solicitor in practice for many years.

5335. Are you a subscriber to the Kent railway?—My name is down upon the deed.

5336. Are you a subscriber?—Yes.

5337. Have you executed the deed?—Yes.

5338. For how much?—Three thousand pounds.

5339. State to the Committee under what circumstances you executed it, and when.—I forget the time, it may be three weeks or a month ago; I put the day down at the time, but I have mislaid the paper.

Mr. *Lancaster* was called upon to point out the signature of the witness.

At the time alluded to of the signing of the deed, Mr. William Fooks, the son of Mr. Fooks, was in the office at the time; who asked me to sign the petition for the

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Kent Railway, and, upon consideration, I did sign it, not having any objection to it, from what I had seen and heard; and after having signed the petition, he said he did not wish his own name to appear on the deed as a shareholder, and asked me if I would sign it for him.

5340. Who fixed the sum?—Mr. William Fooks.

5341. What else passed between you?—At that time he said, "I do not want you to take the shares, they are mine," and that he would save me harmless.

5342. *Chairman.*] Then you signed the deed?—Yes.

5343. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know, of your own personal knowledge, of any other parties who have signed the deed, besides yourself?—None, I have only heard.

5344. Do you know whether Mr. Fooks, father or son, have signed the deed?—I do not.

5345. Do you know anything of the signature by John Webb?—I do not.

5346. In point of fact, do you know anything of the signature by any other party but yourself?—None whatever.

5347. Were there any deposits paid?—No.

5348. Did you sign the petition for the bill?—I am pretty certain I did.

5349. Did you get any other signatures?—Yes, I got one signature to the petition, a gentleman of the name of Nesbit.

5350. Do you know anything of any signatures in Woolwich?—No, I do not.

5351. Are you a salaried clerk in the office?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

5352. You state that you have been a solicitor upon your own account?—Yes.

5353. How long did you practise?—Sixteen years.

5354. Where did you carry on your profession?—In the city of London. There is one observation I beg leave to make; I do not wish to withhold anything. Mr. Fooks said nothing to me about any remuneration for signing the deed, but when he was talking upon it half an hour afterwards, he was speaking of the Kent Railway being a good thing, and the shares being at a premium; and he should be happy to make me a remuneration. I said, I did not wish anything of the kind, I had not signed with that expectation, that I signed to oblige him.

5355. Mr. *Parkes.*] You have a family?—Yes.

5356. Are you a householder?—I am not now.

Mr. *John Garth*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *John Garth.*

5357. WHAT are you?—The master of a ship.

5358. What ship?—The Britannia.

5359. Where is she?—At Belfast.

5360. Are you a subscriber for the Kent Railway Company?—Yes.

5361. *Chairman.*] How much?—I do not know the sum.

5362. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you any idea of how much?—No, I cannot say.

5363. Is it a hundred pounds, or four or five thousand pounds?—I cannot say exactly; I suppose it is some thousands.

5364. Have you signed the deed?—Yes.

5365. Do you recollect when you did it?—I do not; it is a month back, I should think.

5366. Where did you do it at?—At the Kent Railway office.

5367. How came you there?—I was walking with Mr. Hamond, and I went with him there; Mr. Hamond took me there.

5368. Did he ask you to go there; recollect yourself, and state all the circumstances?—I do not recollect whether he asked me to go there, but, however, I did go with him.

5369. *Chairman.*] Did you go there of your own accord?—No.

5370. Should you have gone there, except he had said something to you upon the subject?—No.

5371. Mr. *Parkes.*] In point of fact, did you go there at his request?—I should not have gone there, if I had not gone with him.

5372. In point of fact, did you go there at his request?—Yes.

5373. Have you any idea of what you signed for?—5,000 *l.* I think.

5374. Did you ever sign any deed before?—Never in my life.

5375. Were you ever a shareholder in any other public company?—Never.

5376. What passed between you and Mr. Hammond when you signed; did you consider

consider you had given your own personal liability for 5,000 *l.*?—Mr. Hamond did not ask me to sign, though he took me there.

5377. Who was it?—I believe it was Mr. Green; it was some person in the office; I did not know him personally.

5378. Were not you taken there to sign the deed?—Yes; I have said yes, but I did not know what I was going there for.

5379. Did you know what the deed was?—No.

5380. Do you know now?—Yes, now it is too late.

5381. What is it?—The Dover Railroad.

5382. What did it bind you to?—I do not know.

5383. You did not read it?—No, nor was it read to me.

5384. How came you to sign for that particular sum of 5,000 *l.*; why did you not sign for 100,000 *l.*, or a thousand?—The sum was named there.

5385. Do you recollect who named it?—No.

5386. How do you get your living?—By going to sea.

5387. When were you at sea last?—I have not been three months from Africa.

5388. Have you a family?—Yes.

5389. Do you know Mr. Hamond?—He is my broker; I am out of the country many months together, and he does business for me as my ship-broker.

5390. He has not done business for you to any extent?—He has insured 3,000 *l.* for me on a new ship of my own, to the river Plate.

5391. Does the Britannia belong to you?—No, she does not.

5392. What is the tonnage of the Britannia?—300 tons.

5393. Was that your own?—No.

5394. What was the tonnage of your own vessel?—173.

5395. What was the name of her?—The Shamrock.

5396. How long have you parted with your interest in her?—I parted with my interest in her for a portion of the Carnarvon.

5397. When?—Two years back.

5398. What did you do with the Carnarvon?—She is gone a whaling.

5399. What did you do with her?—I sold her.

5400. You had a small portion in her?—I had a third in her, for which I gave 1,500 *l.*

5401. Were you at Mr. Hamond's about the 14th of February, a Tuesday, when some parties came there to sign some deed?—I saw some parties come up.

5402. Did you know what they were coming for?—No, I did not till I saw them, and then I knew.

5403. You saw some of them; you were in the other room?—Yes, I saw some of them sign it, I did not see them all.

5404. Was Mr. Hamond with you in the back room?—No; Mr. Hamond was not in the back room.

5405. Were you there?—No; I was sitting in a chair by the fire, but it did not concern me; I took no notice.

5406. You paid a little attention?—No, I did not.

5407. Was it before or after you signed?—After.

5408. Is that your signature, John Garth [*showing a deed to the witness*]?—Yes.

5409. Are those your figures?—Yes.

5410. Are they of your own personal placing?—Yes.

5411. Read to the Committee the sum.—7,500 *l.*

5412. Have you had anything to do with the Kent company, or the petition?—No, I was never there but once; I did not know such a thing was in hand.

5413. Do you know anything about it now?—Nothing more than I have heard; I did not know what the thing was, and did not hesitate anything about it whatever.

5414. Should you have signed it, but for your knowledge of Mr. Hamond?—Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question. The question waived.

5415. Where are you living now?—At Battersea.

5416. With your friends?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Pearson.*

5417. Was there any appearance of secresy attending the transaction of those persons signing the deed at Mr. Hamond's office?—No secresy, I should say.

5418. In the public open office?—Yes.

5419. You

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5419. You have been often at Mr. Hamond's?—Yes, backwards and forwards, as my business leads me.

5420. Are there many persons come in and out on business?—Yes, the whole of the day.

5421. And those persons could have seen the signing of the deed as well as you?—Yes.

5422. *Chairman.*] Was Mr. Hamond in the room at the time?—He was not.

5423. Mr. *Parkes.*] What has been your business with Mr. Hamond for the last two or three months?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

5424. *Chairman.*] What has been your occupation for the last two or three months at Mr. Hamond's?—He is a gentleman who has done my business for a number of years, and when we have nothing to do, we go in and out, and hear what is going on, and look at the lists, or the papers; I had nothing to do particularly with Mr. Hamond.

5425. Have you ever transacted any business for Mr. Hamond lately, for which you have been paid?—No, never in my life; on the contrary I have paid Mr. Hamond.

5426. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] I think you said you did not know the amount for which you subscribed, until it was too late; what did you mean by the term "until it was too late."—If I had known there was to be anything about it, I would not have signed it for any person; I was not aware of the thing; I was not up to this sort of trick.

5427-8. You refer to this sort of inquiry?—Yes, I should have made inquiry.

Mr. *George Walter*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *George Walter.*

5429. WHERE is your residence?—At East Dulwich.

5430. What occupation have you?—I am the managing director of the Greenwich Railway.

5431. Have you a salary for that purpose?—Yes.

5432. How long have you been in that situation?—I think it is about three years.

5433. *Chairman.*] Is it a salary, or so much each time you attend?—A salary.

5434. Mr. *Parkes.*] What were you, before those three years?—I was secretary to an association for granting annuities.

5435. Where?—In Broad-street.

5436. What is the name of it?—The Endowment.

5437. How long were you there?—Three years.

5438. Where were you before?—Before that I was in the Stock Exchange.

5439. As a stock-broker?—Yes, I was.

5440. What year was it you left the Stock Exchange?—I think it was the year 1828.

5441. I believe at that time you were not able to meet your house engagements?—I had a partner who ruined me.

5442. Are you a director in the Kent?—I am.

5443. In the Kent Railway Company?—Yes.

5444. Were you one of the original promoters of the Dover line?—I rather think I was.

5445. Preceding the Kent?—Yes.

5446. Were you at a little meeting of four or five gentlemen, when a prospectus was drawn up for the Dover?—I was at a meeting of three gentlemen, when a prospectus was agreed to.

5447. At the first concocting of that prospectus and advertisement?—Yes.

5448. Do you recollect whom met you there; was it Mr. Brothers, Mr. Colin Smith, and Mr. Green?—I think those were the gentlemen.

5449. Were you a director of the Gravesend preceding that?—Yes, and also the South Eastern; what is now the South Eastern.

5450. That is the first scheme of the South Eastern?—Yes.

5451. Not the South Eastern?—The Gravesend company was formed by gentlemen who are now directors of the South Eastern company.

5452. By some of them?—Yes.

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5453. That line was abandoned?—Yes.

5454. And a new direction was formed, comprising some of the directors of the South Eastern?—Yes.

5455. You are a member in the direction of several other companies?—I have the honour of being a director of the Preston and Wyre Railway Company.

5456. Were you, or are you, a director of the Deptford Pier Company?—The Deptford Pier Company.

5457. Are you one now?—I am.

5458. Are you a director in the Calcutta and Saugur Railway?—I am.

5459. Are you a director to the Locomotive Engine and Railway Carriage Company?—No, I am not.

5460. Were you?—A company of that kind was intended to be formed, but it was given up.

5461. A company of that sort was contemplated?—Yes, it was connected with the Greenwich Railway Company, which required a great many engines.

5462. Were there any subscriptions to it?—No, it was abandoned.

5463. Are you a director on the Salisbury, Romsey, Exeter and Southampton Railway?—No, I am a director of the Salisbury and Exeter Company.

5464. Were you ever a director of the Salisbury, Romsey and Southampton Railway?—It is called the Salisbury and Exeter Railway that I belong to.

5465. Do you recollect the other?—No, I do not.

5466. Are you a director in the Deptford Pier Junction Railway?—The Deptford Pier Junction Railway, and the Deptford Pier, is a continuation of the Greenwich Railway; I consider it one and the same thing.

5467. Are you a director in any mining company?—No, I am not.

5468. Were you?—I think I had something to do with a mining company for a few weeks.

5469. Were you a director in the New South Ayr Mining Company?—No, I had nothing to do with it.

5470. Did you not appear as a published director?—Never.

5471. What was the mining company you were director of?—I was not a director of any mining company; I was requested to attend a meeting, and I attended at the meeting; I have had nothing to do with it for three years.

5472. Have you had anything to do with the Deptford Gas Company?—It is a company connected with the Greenwich Railway.

5473. It is got up by separate directors?—No, it is got up by the shareholders of the Greenwich Railway.

5474. Are you sure of that?—The plan was to give the shares to the shareholders of the Greenwich Railway.

5475. Are you a director?—Yes, I am; it is a part and parcel of it.

5476. Are there any other companies in which you are a director, or have been a director in the last few years?—I do not know of any.

5477. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Company?—Yes, I am.

5478. How much?—I think about 30,000 *l.*

5479. Rather more?—It may be, I think it is 33,000 *l.* in the list; I signed first for 20,000 *l.*

5480. Did you sign for 10,000 *l.* originally?—Unless I see the deed I cannot recollect whether it is 10 or 20,000 *l.* [*A deed was shown to the Witness.*]—I signed for 20,000 *l.* as a director of the company, and subsequently for 13,000 *l.* when I exchanged my scrip.

5481. Did you not sign originally for 10,000 *l.*, in the Kent deed?—I think some of the directors, with myself, signed for 10,000 *l.*, originally, and I afterwards increased it to 30,000 *l.*

5482. When did you sign for the other 13,000 *l.*?—When I exchanged my scrip.

5483. When was that?—About three months since, as well as I recollect.

5484. Do you recollect the time you signed the 10,000 *l.* originally?—No, I do not, it was two or three months ago.

5485. Did you pay your deposit?—I paid for 1,000 shares upon time.

5486. Did you pay your deposits upon the 10,000 *l.*?—Yes; I paid it at the time.

5487. Was it upon the thousand shares you subscribed; was your signature to the 10,000 *l.*, the first shares you took in the company?—It would not have been sufficient for the thousand shares of 50 *l.* each.

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5488. When did you pay the deposit upon the 1,000 shares?—I should think it must have been ten months since; a year ago, perhaps.

5489. Were 1,000 shares allotted to you?—Yes, they were.

5490. A thousand original shares in the Kent?—Three hundred were first allotted to me; I afterwards paid upon 1,000.

5491. In the Kent?—No, not in the Kent; I am speaking of the Gravesend and Dover.

5492. Mr. *Parkes.*] When had you the first 300 shares allotted to you?—When the general allotment took place of the shares in the Gravesend company.

5493. Did you pay your deposits immediately after the allotment?—I did.

5494. Where did you pay them?—At the bankers, Spooner and Attwood's.

5495. Did you pay it in cash or cheques?—I cannot recollect; I suppose in cheques.

5496. When did you obtain any further shares?—I cannot recollect.

5497. Cannot you recollect how you got 700 more in a few months afterwards, if you had 1,000 shares?—I took 1,000 at one period; I did not take them for myself, but for friends of mine; I have a great number of friends in the country, in Bath and different places.

5498. How many of the 300 did you take for yourself; the whole 300?—I took the 300 shares allotted to me as a director.

5499. Did you take them for yourself, individually?—I might have taken them, but I did not, for I wanted to keep them.

5500. I ask you, whether you took the 300 for yourself, individually?—Three hundred were allotted to me.

5501. Did you pay upon the 300?—Yes.

5502. That you distinctly recollect?—To the best of my recollection.

5503. Can you state that positively, or have you a doubt of it?—To the best of my recollection, I did.

5504. Will you be positive of that?—I do not recollect; I should say positively I did; I have so much upon my mind, I cannot say I did.

5505. Do you recollect when you took in, whole or partly, further shares amounting to 700?—No, I cannot.

5506. Have you paid upon the 700?—All I can say is, I exchanged about 1,100 of the Gravesend and Dover shares for shares in the Kent Railway, for myself and friends.

5507. Do you mean 1,100 Dover and Gravesend shares, or twice the number of Kent shares?—No; 1,100 Dover and Gravesend shares for 550 of the Kent Railway shares.

5508. How did you obtain those 1,100 old scrip?—I cannot tell you.

5509. Did you buy them?—I might have bought some.

5510. How many?—I cannot tell how many.

5511. Did you get any from any friends?—I might have had shares from friends; the shares I got were for my friends; I did not mean to hold so large a number.

5512. What friends do you allude to?—I have a great number of friends.

5513. State any friends who have been in connection with you in the Kent Railway Company, in connection with these shares.—It was not for the Kent.

5514. Or the Gravesend?—No, or Dover Railway; they were private friends.

5515. What friends do you allude to, in connection with this scheme?—They had nohing to do with the scheme.

5516. All you mean is, that you have several personal friends?—Yes.

5517. But they had no connection with you in this railway?—I have a number of friends in London and in the country, who wished to hold these shares, and I obtained them for them.

5518. *Chairman.*] You are requested to state who those friends were?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the names of persons being stated, who were not upon the deed, and who wished their names not to be dragged before the public.

Mr. *Thesiger.*] I recommend you not to answer the question.

5519. *Chairman.*] You are requested to state who those friends were?—I respectfully decline answering the question.

5520. Mr. *Young.*] Were the transactions you have alluded to strictly private transactions with your friends?—They were.

5521. You did not receive money upon them?—I did not.

5522. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you mean to say you have or have not friends, connected with you in your signature to the deed for 30,000 *l.*?—I have not.

5523. You represent the entire of that subscription yourself?—Yes, I do, having obtained those shares for various friends.

Mr. *Parkes* expressed his wish to pursue the examination with respect to the friends represented by the witness, which was a main subject of inquiry.

5524. *Chairman.*] You have been advised not to answer?—Yes, I wish not to answer.

The Committee-room was cleared. After some time the Counsel and parties were again called in, and informed that the Committee had decided that Mr. Parkes be allowed to pursue his examination.

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5525. Who are those friends?—Is it decided that I shall answer?

5526. *Chairman.*] Yes.—One of those friends is Mr. Attwood, who took 1,000 shares.

5527. Mr. *Parkes.*] Which Mr. Attwood?—Mr. Matthias Attwood.

5528. Proceed with them.—Another friend, 250.

5529. Who was that?—Mr. Stevenson, a gentleman of fortune.

5530. Where does he live?—He resides in Essex; and I have 50, which I consider my qualification, or rather I should say, if you will let me correct myself, that these are represented by the Kent Railway shares, 550, so that that is a different number.

5531. Do you mean 1,100 shares in the Kent?—One thousand one hundred shares in the Dover and Gravesend, for 550 in the Kent.

5532. *Chairman.*] One thousand shares would be 500?—Yes.

5533. Then there are 1,000 to Mr. Attwood?—Yes.

5534. And there was only 100 left, which would be 50 in the Kent, and you have stated that Mr. Stevenson holds 250?—I obtained 250; whether I had signed the deed for them I do not know.

5535. The 50 you retain as a qualification for yourself?—Yes, I have 50.

5536. In the present Kent?—Yes.

5537. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was the second gentleman you mentioned Mr. Stevenson?—Yes.

5538. What is he?—He is a clergyman.

5539. Where?—In Essex.

5540. What living?—He has the living of Dengey.

5541. Did you receive the old scrip from this gentleman?—I exchanged them.

5542. Did you receive the old scrip from him?—I did not receive it, I exchanged the scrip for him.

5543. Did you receive the old scrip to effect the exchange?—Yes.

5544. At what time?—I really cannot say. It was the only time I signed the deed.

5545. What signature in the deed: the original 10,000 *l.* do you mean?—I have signed the deed for 10,000 *l.* as a director.

5546. Was it at that time you obtained the scrip from them?—I cannot say.

5547. Did you receive any scrip in the last two or three months from any party?—It is more than that; it was when I signed the deed.

5548. Have you received any scrip of any party, since the deed was signed for 10,000 *l.* by you?—I cannot speak to my recollection when I signed the deed for that 10,000 *l.*

5549. Did you receive any scrip from any parties since the signature, or during the last two or three months?—I think it must be three or four months since, to the best of my recollection; I cannot say.

5550. How many shares in the Kent would that represent, 650?—It would represent 650.

5551. Did you alter the figures 10,000 into 20,000, before you signed for the Kent 13,000 *l.*?—I cannot say whether it was before or after.

5552. When did you sign for the 13,000 *l.*?—It was when I exchanged the scrip.

5553. At what period?—I cannot say; it was three or four months ago.

5554. Are you sure it was not later?—I cannot say.

5555. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Was it this year?—I think it was about Christmas.

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5556. Mr. *Parkes.*] Was it this year?—I think it was about Christmas.

5557. Can you find your subscription of 13,000 *l.*; do you know where you signed the deed?—[*The subscription on the deed was pointed out to the Witness.*]

5558. Do you know what time you signed it; was not it immediately before the petition for the Bill?—I cannot say when it was, perhaps the clerk can say.

5559. Did you go and make that exchange the day you signed the deed for the 13,000 *l.*, or any exchange?—You are really asking me questions which I cannot recollect; I know I signed for 33,000 *l.*, having delivered exchange scrip to about that amount.

5560. When did you deliver your first exchange scrip?—That I cannot say; it is about three or four months ago.

5561. When did you deliver the last?—I exchanged them all at the same time.

5562. Before your signature for the 13,000 *l.*?—No; when I signed for the 13,000 *l.* I exchanged the scrip.

5563. How came you to sign exactly 13,000 *l.*?—Because it was near the number, and making up nearly the number I had actually exchanged.

5564. How do you account for your having originally signed 10,000 *l.*, and not having altered the 1 into 2 till the 13th of February, when the other directors altered their respective subscription?—Because it was near the number I was entitled to sign for.

5565. When you signed the 13,000 *l.*, in point of fact you signed it for much less a sum than you represented in old shares?—Yes, that was the case; it was a less sum than I was entitled to sign for.

5566. When did you receive the scrip for Mr. Attwood's shares, from him?—I received them from him.

5567. From him personally?—I think the scrip had remained in the box kept at the bankers'.

5568. In your box?—Yes.

5569. How did it get into your box, and when?—Mr. Attwood was pleased to place confidence in me, and allowed it to remain there.

5570. Did you buy any of it for him?—No I did not.

5571. Did you buy any old scrip at all?—I might have bought some.

5572. Did you buy any?—I do not know what number I am sure, I might have bought some and sold some.

5573. What quantity of subscription had you in the Gravesend deed, had you 7,000 *l.*?—It is very probable.

5574. Did you pay upon it?—Yes.

5575. Did you not sell a little at a premium?—No.

5576. Did you buy some?—Yes, I bought some at a premium.

5577. What did you sign the Dover deed for, was it 5,000 *l.*?—I cannot recollect.

5578. The two deeds represent you to have signed 12,000 *l.*?—It is very probable.

5579. Is that in your recollection about what you subscribed?—I cannot recollect what I signed.

5580. For whatever you signed the deed, did you pay the deposits and take out the scrip?—Yes.

5581. What have you done with the scrip of these two sums, the 7,000 *l.* and 5,000 *l.* in your own name, which would have entitled you to 6,000 *l.* in the Kent?—Really I cannot tell what I have done with it.

5582. You cannot tell the Committee what you have done with the scrip representing those sums?—No, I might have disposed of them, I have not got them, I have only 50 of the Kent.

5583. Did you not sell some of the Gravesend shares at a premium?—No, I have not sold any of them; therefore you may save yourself the trouble.

5584. Have you sold any of the Gravesend or Dover at a loss?—I do not think I have, because I took for friends, and handed them over at par.

5585. Do you recollect what portion of the 12,000 *l.* in the Gravesend and Dover, you retained for yourself personally?—No, I cannot recollect.

5586. Have you attended most of the board meetings of the Kent?—I have attended, whenever I had an opportunity.

5586*. Have you attended most of the board meetings?—Without referring to the book I cannot tell; I have not been so constant an attendant at the board as many of the other directors.

5587. Were you one of the gentlemen who allotted, in the sub-committee, the Gravesend shares?—No, I was not.

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5588. Are you confident you were not a member of the committee for allotting the Gravesend shares?—I am perfectly sure I was not.

5590. Did you recommend a great many persons to take shares in that company?—I recommended many of my friends to take shares in it, it was my duty to do so as a director; I knew it was a very valuable investment, and I advised them to embark in it.

5591. Do you know whether those friends retained their shares?—I cannot say.

5592. The Kent Company was not so favourite a scheme as the Gravesend?—I believe it is a favourite scheme; it is a very valuable scheme in my opinion; as far as I have means to judge of other railways, it is the best.

5593. What did you know of the subscription deed, immediately before the meeting of Parliament; did you know you had an insufficient list?—I heard that the capital had been increased a few days before.

5594. Before the presentation of the petition for the Bill?—Yes.

5595. When did you hear that, and who from?—I merely heard the report that it was the case; I think I heard it from Mr. Smith.

5596. Was that previous to the meeting of the board on the 14th of February?—I think it was on the morning of that day it was reported the deed was insufficient.

5597. What passed at the board about increasing your sum of original subscription?—I was not present at the board.

5598. When did you make the alteration of your subscription of 10,000 *l.* into 20,000 *l.*?—When it was pointed out to me that the subscription deed was deficient.

5599. When was it?—When it was announced to me by Mr. Smith.

5600. What morning was it, was it after the board meeting?—I think it was, I am not sure.

5601. You were present at the board meeting?—No; I think it was a subsequent board that I attended; I do not think it was; I cannot say; it is impossible; I cannot say.

5602. Do you recollect when you altered the figures?—I think it was the morning Mr. Smith informed me there was a deficiency.

5603. Had the six other directors altered theirs?—Yes, they had so.

5604. Previous to your doing so?—Yes; I think one or two had to the best of my recollection.

5605. You stated you paid your deposits upon 300 Kent Railway shares?—Not Kent Railway shares, I said the Gravesend.

5606. Did you pay any deposit at all upon the Kent Railway shares?—No.

5607. Did you, as a director, know anything whatever of the parties as to number or pecuniary responsibility, who signed the subscription deed?—I knew the responsibility of many.

5608. When did you see the deed, to know they had signed it?—I have seen the deed, when it has been lying on the board-room table.

5609. What amount, at that time, do you think the deed then contained?—Nearly the sum required by Parliament; nearly one half, which is the sum required by Parliament.

5610. Did you, as a member of the board, in connection with the directors or by yourself alone, take any steps to ascertain the pecuniary responsibility of the entire list?—I did not; I conceived it to be the duty of the secretaries to see to that.

5611. Did they ever report to you what they had done?—No; they reported generally to the board as to the state of the deed.

5612. Have you signed any other railway deeds?—I signed the Preston and Wyre deed.

5613. For how much?—I do not know; that was two or three years ago.

5614. Have you signed any since?—I think I signed the deed of the Junction Railway.

5615. Did you not sign that deed for 30,000 *l.*?—The Pier Junction; it is very likely I did.

5616. What became of those shares?—I cannot recollect. The capital was only 60,000 *l.* I could not have signed it for 30,000 *l.*

5617. Will you say you did not?—I cannot recollect. I should think I did not. I might have done it.

5618. Have you still got the amount of your shares in that concern, whatever they are?—I have 100 shares.

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5619. What did you do with the Kent scrip exchanged, that represented your 33,000 *l.* Is that in your little box at the bankers?—No, I handed them over to Mr. Attwood.

5620. At the time you obtained them?—When I obtained them from the office.

5621. How much scrip have you got in this box of your own?—I have 50.

5622. What did you do with the scrip of the clergyman?—He has them.

5623. Did you deliver them to him personally?—Yes.

5624. Did you purchase any scrip of the Gravesend?—I might have purchased, but I cannot tell to what amount.

5625. Did you not purchase some?—I cannot say I did not. I might have purchased some for friends.

5626. Did you not purchase some shares, and many in the Gravesend?—I think I might have purchased as many as two or three hundred at times.

5627. Did you sell any at any time in the Gravesend or Dover?—I do not recollect having sold any; when I have bought them, I have handed them over to my friends.

5628. Did you not sell some in the Gravesend particularly?—If you call selling them, having bought them, and handed them over to those I purchased for, I have.

5629. No I do not; I mean buying in the market of a broker?—I am not a broker.

5630. Have you not bought some through a broker?—That is the only means of doing it.

5631. Have you bought shares through a broker?—I have.

5632. Have you not bought some of the Gravesend shares through a broker?—I do not recollect what I bought.

5633. Have you bought Gravesend shares through a broker?—Yes.

5634. Have you never sold shares at a profit in the Gravesend?—I cannot say I have.

5635. Have you not sold shares at a premium in the Gravesend?—I might have sold them at a premium in the Gravesend, but I cannot bear in mind.

5636. Did you not sell a considerable number at a premium?—No, but I recollect buying 150 at 1½ premium.

5637. What number have you sold at a premium?—That I cannot recollect.

5638. Did you buy 150 for yourself at a premium?—Yes.

5639. Have you got them now?—No, I rather think I sold them at a loss.

5640. Was that your only transaction in the Gravesend?—I cannot say.

5641. Have you any means of ascertaining your transactions in the Gravesend or Dover?—No, I never kept memorandums of those transactions.

5642. Have you not bought and sold extensively in railway shares?—No, I have not.

5643. What may be the amount of your transactions in railway shares?—I cannot tell.

5644. Can you form any guess?—No.

5645. Have you not taken a great many shares in other companies, besides the two named?—I have a qualification in all I belong to.

5646. Are you in the Falmouth?—I have my qualification there.

5647. What have you signed the Falmouth deed for?—I think 20,000 *l.* I do not know exactly.

5648. What did you sign the Eastern counties' for?—I know nothing of the Eastern counties'.

5649. What did you sign the Calcutta for?—I think my qualification about 1,000 *l.*

5650. Any more?—I do not recollect,

5651. Did you sign for ten or twenty thousand?—No.

5652. What did you sign for in the London, Salisbury and Exeter?—I cannot recollect; it might be ten, or fifteen, or twenty thousand pounds. I cannot recollect.

5653. Were or were not you at the board, when the figures were altered by the six directors?—I cannot charge my memory, or whether I came in late in the day; but I recollect the observations being made.

[*It appeared in the minute book that the Witness was not present at the board.*]

5654. Have you had any other transactions for friends in shares of the Gravesend,

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end, Dover or Kent Companies, except the two you have named?—I might have obtained some shares for some ladies, friends of mine, at Bath, the Miss Napps, they are relatives of mine.

5655. Have you signed the deed for them?—I do not think I have. I obtained the shares, I think.

5656. Just recollect. Have you signed this deed for any person but yourself?—I think not.

5657. Just refresh your memory, and say whether you have not signed the deed for somebody else, beyond the 20,000 *l.* and 13,000 *l.*—I cannot recollect; I believe I have not.

5658. Did you sign for the ladies at Bath?—No, I did not.

5659. Who did?—I do not know.

5660. Did you sign for any other parties?—No, I believe I did not.

5661. Are you confident you did not?—I cannot charge my memory. I might say I did, and it might prove the contrary.

5662. *Chairman.*] You are not prepared to say you did not?—No, I am not.

5663. Should you know your own hand-writing?—Yes.

5664. Look over the deeds, and say whether you have or have not signed for other persons.

[*The Witness withdrew to look over the deeds.*]

Mr. *Bartholomew White*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *B. White.*

5665. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you live?—Bermondsey-terrace.

5666. What is your business or calling?—Clerk.

5667. Mr. *Parkes.*] To whom?—To Frederick George Hamond.

5668. In Mark-lane?—Mincing-lane.

5669. How long have you been with him?—Above four years.

5670. What is your salary?—Sixty pounds a year.

5671. Are you married?—No.

5672. And never were?—No.

5673. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company's deed?—I have subscribed.

5674. For how much?—To the best of my recollection, 5,700 *l.*

5675. When did you sign?—I cannot say; it may have been two months, or six weeks.

5676. Did anybody ask you to sign?—Yes.

5677. Who?—A gentleman of the name of Green.

5678. When was it?—About the time I have mentioned; about six weeks or two months.

5679. Do you recollect who was signing at the time with yourself?—No one was signing at the same time.

5680. Was it about the time that the gentlemen came to sign from the Rotunda?—I do not know.

5681. Do you know Mr. Castello?—I know Mr. Castello.

5682. Was it about the time he brought the gentlemen to your office?—It was some time before; I heard of their being at the office.

5683. How long?—I should say a fortnight or three weeks.

5684. Was it about the time that Rowley signed?—I do not know.

5685. How much did you sign for?—5,700 *l.* to the best of my recollection.

5686. Was not it 3,700 *l.*?—It might have been, I took no particular notice.

5687. Where did Mr. Green ask you to sign?—At the office of the Kent Railway.

5688. Did Mr. Hamond ask you to sign?—No.

5689. Had you any communication with Mr. Hamond upon the subject?—I called for Mr. Hamond at the office, on my way to the Exchange.

5690. State what passed between you and Mr. Hamond upon the subject?—I called there to see if Mr. Hamond was there; Mr. Hamond was reading the newspaper. Mr. Green asked me to sign, and I signed; he mentioned the amount I was to sign.

5691. Was Mr. Hamond present?—Yes, reading the newspaper.

5692. Who suggested to you the sum you signed for?—Mr. Green.

5693. Do you know of any other parties signing in your office?—No.

5694. Captain Garth?—No.

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5695. Or Rowley?—No.

5696. Do you know of any other party who has signed the deed beside yourself?—No, I do not.

5697. Have you ever signed any deed before?—Never.

5698. Did you understand for whom you signed the deed?—I did not.

5699. You did not pay any deposits, did you?—No.

5700. Had you any conversation with Mr. Hamond besides what you have told the Committee upon the subject?—No.

5701. Nor since?—No.

5702. You have not had a word of conversation with him since?—Not respecting that.

5703. Not during the last two or three weeks?—No, I have not.

5704. Does Mr. Hamond know you are summoned to-day?—No, he does not; the summons was placed in my hands last night, I have not seen him since.

5705. I presume you are unable to pay any such amount?—I am.

5706. Do you mean to say you were not on the premises when those other men signed?—No, I was employed at the docks, clearing wines the whole of the day.

5707. What day?—The day those parties were at the office signing the papers.

5708. Were not you on the premises at any time?—I was there when Rowley came in, and I went out with a gentleman to clear a quarter cask for him, which detained me till nearly five o'clock.

5709. Did you not hear something pass between your master and Rowley upon the subject?—I did.

5710. What was it?—I cannot call to recollection, I was busy.

5711. Was not there something passed in the way of instruction to Rowley, to get some persons to sign the deed?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.—[*The question was waived.*]

5712. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you overhear what passed between Mr. Hamond and Rowley?—I did not; when persons come there I do not attend to them, if I am busy.

5713. Do you not know that Rowley had money to pay to persons for signing this deed?—I do not.

5714. How did you know Mr. Castello?—I had seen him on 'Change.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

5715. You have seen Mr. Castello on 'Change?—Yes.

5716. Acting as a broker?—As a jobber; I have always considered him as a jobber.

5717. By jobber, do you mean a dealer in shares, or anything in the market?—A dealer in shares; a person who is not a member of the Stock Exchange; I always considered him a jobber.

5718. Do those persons, not members of the Stock Exchange, frequent the Royal Exchange, and carry on their transactions there?—Yes, they do.

5719-21. And Mr. Castello was one of these persons?—Yes.

Mr. *George Walter*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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5722. HAVE you looked over the deed?—Yes; and I cannot see I have signed for more than 13,000*l.* and 20,000*l.*; if you can point out to me——

5723. Have you looked it over carefully?—Yes.

5724. Are you confident you did not sign for anybody else?—If you will point out anybody——

5725. Are you confident, having looked over the deed, you did not sign for any parties, and have only signed those deeds for the 20,000*l.* and 13,000*l.*?—If I had signed, it would be on the deed, and I do not see it.

5726. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Have you any recollection of signing for any one else?—I have no recollection of signing for any one else; and I do not see my name in the deed for anybody else.

5727. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you sign for any other party?—

Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Is there any of your writing on that deed but your own name?—

Witness.] No; I could not suppose you could ask me such a question; I thought you meant, for such a person with my name.

5728. Mr.

5728. Mr. *Parkes.*] No; I did not suppose that?—I could not suppose you meant anything else; I could not commit a forgery.

5729. It was not put in that light?—It would be, I should conceive, so.

5730. *Chairman.*] Should you consider it very improper, if you had signed another person's name to that deed?—Undoubtedly.

5731. Sir *E. Wilmot.*] Suppose they had given directions to you to sign, should you think it improper?—I should say for such a person, with my name.

5732. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you sign the deed very heavily for the Deptford Gas?—There is no Act of Parliament for the Deptford Gas; I signed the deed of settlement.

5733. What for?—For no amount; it was unnecessary; I merely signed as a director, being one of three parties.

5734. Was any part of the money in your name on the deed represented by the Greenwich Railway Company, besides those gentlemen you have named, one of whom is a proprietor, Mr. Attwood; was a part of your 33,000*l.* represented by the committee, or any of the parties upon the Greenwich Railway?—Undoubtedly not.

5735. Do you know Mr. Brothers?—Yes, I do.

5736. Have you had any transactions with him in shares?—I do not recollect having any transactions with him in shares.

5737. None?—I cannot speak to memory what transactions I have had with him; I think I bought some Greenwich shares of him once at 10 premium; I recollect a transaction of that sort.

5738. Do you know Frederick George Hamond?—I know him by sight. I know him as a magistrate of Greenwich.

5739. Have you not been in company with him on the business of this Kent Railway Company at Greenwich?—I saw him casually at a meeting there. I went in not as a director; I went into the room merely as a person unconnected with the company, merely to hear what was going on.

5740. Had you not been in communication with him at Greenwich on the subject of the Kent Railway Company more than once?—I saw him on the day of the meeting, but I had had no communication with him whatever on the business of the company.

5741. *Chairman.*] What meeting?—It was a meeting about a month ago.

5742. Was the meeting on the business of the Kent Railway?—It was called by Mr. Hamond, of the inhabitants of the town. I was in the town at the time, and hearing of it, I went in among the audience. I took no part whatever in it.

5743. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you the sole managing director of the Greenwich?—I am nominated the managing director of the Greenwich Company.

5744. Are you the sole managing director?—There is a board of directors.

5745. *Chairman.*] Is there any other person who goes by the name of managing director, besides yourself?—No, there is not.

5746. Mr. *Parkes.*] What are the names of the present directors of the Greenwich?—Abel Rous Dottin, the member for Southampton, is the chairman; Mr. Twells, the banker.

5747. Are any of the directors of the Greenwich Railway Company directors of the Kent Railway Company? There is the list [*handing a paper to the Witness*].—I see the name of George Money; he is a director of the Greenwich Railway, and director of the Kent Railway.

5748. What is Mr. Money?—I believe he held a very high office in India; a man of large fortune. Captain Page is director of the Greenwich Railway, and director of the Kent Railway. Mr. Twells is a director of the Greenwich and also of the Kent Railway, and Mr. Yates has been elected a director of the Greenwich Railway subsequent to this meeting.

5749. Is that all?—Yes.

5750. What is the number of your Greenwich board of direction?—

Mr. *Rotch* objected to the question.

Witness.] There are nine directors of the Greenwich.

5751. *Parkes.*] After the meeting at Greenwich, did you not retire with Mr. Hamond?—I went to the place where they were; I did not retire with him.

5752. You made yourself jolly with them?—No, I did not.

5753. After you heard from Mr. Smith of the deficiency in the amount of the subscription, on account of the estimate of Mr. James Walker, did you have any communication with either of the two secretaries, on the subject of getting new names to the deed?—No, I did not.

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5754. None whatever?—I do not recollect having any communication with them after that, as to the deed, after I went to the office to increase my subscription.

5755. Did you suggest to Mr. Smith or Mr. Green any names you thought you could get to sign the deed?—I do not recollect anything of the kind.

5756. Do you recollect suggesting any gentlemen of any other railway office?—No, I think not.

5757. Or any one?—I might have mentioned the names of one or two gentlemen in my own office.

5758. Mention those names, who they were.—I think the secretary is one.

5759. What is his name?—Ackerman.

5760. Who else?—I think a Mr. Watkins.

5761. Where did you mention it, at the Kent board-room, or at your own office?—I really cannot say where it was.

5762. Is Mr. Watkins a subscriber to the Kent?—I do not know whether he signed the deed or not, I merely mentioned it.

5763. When did you mention it?—I think the day Mr. Smith spoke to me, that he required the signatures.

5764. Did you mention it to him, as the name of a gentleman whose signature could be obtained to the deed?—Yes.

5765. Is his name Henry Tyrrel Watkins?—Yes, it is.

5766. Do you not know he has signed the deed?—I did not see him sign it.

5767. Do you not know that he has signed it?—I have not seen his signature; I think it very possible he has.

5768. What is he?—A bookkeeper to the company.

5769. At a salary?—Yes.

5770. What is his salary?—I believe it is 100 *l.*

5771. Do you know where he lives?—I think it is Park-street, at the West End of the town.

5772. Is it Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square?—Yes.

5773. Is he a person of any property?—I believe he is, he has a business besides.

5774. Where?—I think he married the widow of a coal-merchant, and I think carries on the business, but where it is I cannot say.

5775. Does not he do that coal business by agency?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question. The question was waived.

5776. Had you had any communication with him about signing?—I do not recollect; I might have said to him, you had better sign the deed, I do not recollect.

5777. Did you not ask him to sign the deed; has Mr. Smith or Mr. Green applied to him?—I cannot charge my memory, it is very probable I might have mentioned it to him.

5778. Yes or no, did you ask him to sign?—To put an end to it, I should say, I did ask him.

5779. Were you present when he signed the deed?—I do not recollect; I have no recollection of the circumstance; therefore it is of no use saying I recollect it, when I do not, if I did I would say so.

5780. Should you know his signature?—Yes.

[*The signature of Mr. Watkins was pointed out to the Witness.*]

5781. Do you know John Youngs Ackerman?—I do; he is secretary of the Greenwich Railway.

5782. Is he at a salary?—Yes.

5783. Where does he live?—At Peckham.

5784. Did you ask him to sign?—I did.

5785. Do you know what he signed for?—No, I do not.

5786. Was it 2,500 *l.*?—It is very probable.

5787. Were those gentlemen shareholders, before, in any other companies to your knowledge?—To my knowledge I do not know.

5788. Did you not suggest them as parties, you could obtain to sign the deed?—I know that Mr. Ackerman held shares in the Gravesend and Dover Company, and it was natural for me to advise him.

5789. What did you know of Mr. Watkins?—I did not know whether he did or not.

5790. Did you give Mr. Ackerman the shares he held?—No; he bought them at a premium.

5791. Do you know of any other gentlemen you suggested as parties, who might increase the deed?—I do not recollect any others.

5792. Any

5792. Any other gentleman in the Greenwich office?—If I looked over the list I could tell you.

5793. Do you know Miss Emma Ackerman?—No, I do not, without she is his daughter.

5794. Do you know?—I do not.

[*The signature of Henry Tyrrel Watkins was shown to the Witness.*]

5795. Read the name, with the description and the sum opposite to his name?—"Henry Tyrrel Watkins, 7, Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square, gentleman, 4,500 *l.*"

5796. Look down the last half of that deed, and see if you asked any other gentleman to sign it? [*The Witness looked down the deed.*]—No, I do not see any.

5797. Do you recollect asking any other person to sign the deed at that period?—No, I do not recollect any other person.

5798. Without recollecting names, did you not ask some persons to sign about that time?—I do not know; if I had seen any proper persons to sign the deed, I certainly should have done it; I might have done it.

5799. Any other person connected with any other public companies to which you belonged did you ask to sign?—I cannot say; if I had seen any other proper parties I should have asked them to sign as a matter of course.

5800. Do you know Mr. Price?—Yes.

5801. Had you any communication with him upon the subject?—I do not recollect asking him to sign it.

5802. Are you sure you did not ask him to sign it?—I am pretty sure I did not.

5803. Do you know Mr. Anderton?—I know him as secretary to one of the companies.

5804. Did you ask him to sign?—I am sure I did not.

5805. Are you quite sure you did not ask Mr. Price?—I am sure I did not; I do not think I asked either of those.

5806. Just try and recollect whom you did ask, besides those two gentlemen; it is only a few weeks since that the deed was increased?—I have no idea of who I asked; if I had met twenty people I considered proper to sign the deed, I should have asked them as a matter of course.

5807. Did you meet ten, twenty, or five?—I cannot say.

5808. Just endeavour to recollect yourself who you asked to sign, besides those two persons in your own office?—I cannot say whom I did ask; I might have asked several, but who they were I cannot tell; I have a very numerous acquaintance in the city, and should have asked any I had met to sign the subscription deed, if they were proper people.

5809. Were not you aware that Mr. Colin Smith and Mr. Green, the secretaries, were very much put about that week, to obtain subscriptions to the deed; did you not know there was a considerable deficiency?—I heard that the amount of capital had been increased, or something of the sort, officially; I had very little time to attend to those things, I had business of my own.

5810. Had you not a communication with one or both of the secretaries on the subject of increasing the subscriptions to the deed?—Except on the morning I mentioned previously.

5811. Did you mention any other persons for them to apply to, besides Mr. Watkins and Mr. Ackerman?—I should say, certainly so; I told them of course to apply to any person they thought proper to sign it; I do not recollect pointing out any one in particular.

5812. Did you go to one or many, and how many of your friends, and ask them to sign and send them to the office to sign it?—I have answered generally, I should have recommended them to go to proper people to get it signed, but I did not name any particular person.

5813. *Chairman.*] The question is, whether you went to any persons to ask them to sign, and sent them to the office to do so?—I do not recollect sending any one to the office to do so.

5814. Do you recollect asking any persons to sign, who did not go to the office?—No, I did not.

5815. Mr. *Parkes.*] Are you sure you did not ask any person to go to the office to sign?—I might have done so; I should have done it as a matter of course.

5816. *Chairman.*] Did you, or did you not?—I cannot charge my memory with more than I have mentioned; Mr. Ackerman and Mr. Watkins individually might have been in the office, and gone forward, and signed the deed.

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5817. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you not ask them to go up to the office and sign?—Mr. Ackerman and Mr. Watkins.

5818. Who else?—That is what I did.

5819. Did you not send several parties to the office at the time to execute the deed, whether you recollect the names or not, in order to increase the amount of the subscription list?—I do not recollect who I sent.

5820. *Chairman.*] That is not the question?—I could not have sent more than three or four, or spoke to more than three or four upon the subject.

5821. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you send three or four to the office?—I should say yes; I have induced three or four to sign the subscription deed, but I cannot recollect who they were, except the names of Mr. Watkins or Mr. Ackerman.

5822. Cannot you recollect one in addition?—No.

5823. Did you send more than three or four; did you send six or eight?—I do not think I did, because I had no time to attend to it; if I had time I should have done it.

5824. Mr. *Young.*] What do you mean by proper persons to sign the deed; do you mean persons who held scrip of the other railways?—Any respectable persons, whether they hold scrip or not, that is according to the Parliamentary usage; they are not obliged to pay for their scrip before they sign the deed; they are not obliged to pay any money.

5825. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Did you take pains to ascertain that those persons whom you sent to sign the deed, were respectable?—I believe those I spoke to were respectable persons.

5826. You satisfied yourself upon that point?—Yes, I was perfectly satisfied upon that point.

5827. You thought it your business, as a director, to ascertain that point?—Yes.

5828. Mr. *Gaskell.*] Do you mean, you considered them responsible for the sums affixed to their names upon the deed?—I considered those gentlemen I sent, as responsible for what they have signed for.

5829. Mr. *Forster.*] Do you mean that they incurred that much of responsibility?—Yes, and that they were respectable people.

5830. And people equal to meet that amount?—Yes, I think they are sufficiently respectable for the purpose of a subscription deed of that description as required by Parliament.

5831. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you mean responsible for the deposit money, or the whole ofthe calls?—The deposit money.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

5832. How long have you been the managing director of the Greenwich Railway Company?—About a year and a half; I was previously secretary.

5833. I believe the chairman of the railway company, Mr. Dottin, is a relation of yours?—Yes, he is a cousin of mine.

5834. I believe the company is a flourishing concern?—Yes, it is.

5835. Were the interests of that company intimately connected with the line to Gravesend, and from Gravesend to Dover?—Very intimately connected, as forming part of the original plan.

5836. Would that account for the directors of the Greenwich Railway being directors in the Gravesend and Dover line?—It certainly would.

5837. Is the Greenwich Railway Company also interested in the success of the Kent Railway?—It is.

5838. Did you become a director of the Kent Railway from the first formation of the company?—I have been a director from the first formation of the company.

5839. Were you acquainted with Mr. Phillpotts, the chairman, before that time?—I was.

5840. At the time you became a director of the Kent, you were the managing director of the Greenwich?—Yes, I was the managing director at that time.

5841. You have paid a great deal of attention to the Greenwich Railway and its concerns?—I have done so from its origin.

5842. I believe the directors attribute a great deal of that success to your exertions?—I believe they are kind enough to do so.

5843. And some of the directors of the Greenwich Railway are also directors of the Kent Railway?—They are.

5844. You have attended some of the boards of the Kent Railway; have you, when

when you have so attended, devoted yourself to the purposes of the undertaking? —I have; I have taken a great interest in it.

5845. Did the directors who attended the board, appear to apply their minds to the subject honestly and faithfully?—Very much so.

5846. Did it appear to you that their great object was to carry into effect the undertaking?—Yes, it did.

5847. You mentioned two or three of the directors of the Kent Railway, and among them, Mr. Twells?—Yes.

5848. Is he a partner in the banking-house of Spooner, Attwood & Company? —Yes.

5849. Was he a director of the South Eastern?—Yes, he was.

5850. Did he withdraw from that company?—He did.

5851. From your judgment and experience in railways, is this undertaking of the Kent Railway likely to be beneficial to the public?—Exceedingly so.

5852. Do you consider the line an eligible line?—Very eligible.

5853. Were you yourself in the South Eastern?—I originated, I may say, the South Eastern or rather the Dover line; the first board was held in my office, then it was intended to go through Gravesend to Dover, the present Kent line; the South Eastern party intended to go through Gravesend, Rochester, Canterbury to Dover, but, for some reason, they subsequently changed their plan, and went in the south-eastern direction.

5854. Did you, upon that occasion, withdraw, or had you withdrawn before?— I had withdrawn at an earlier period.

5855. Being aware of the advantages presented by the Kent Railway line, you became a member of the direction of this body?—I became a director of the Gravesend and Dover line, which is the Kent line.

5856. I think you mentioned you were formerly in the Stock Exchange?— I was.

5857. We have heard something in the interval of your evidence of persons who are jobbers, who are not in the Stock Exchange, but conduct their transactions in the Royal Exchange; do you know anything of such a class of persons?—I believe there is.

5858. Do you know whether it is the practice of the members of the Stock Exchange, occasionally, to deal with those jobbers?—I believe there are some of them who do so.

5859. I believe in these undertakings, besides the deed that is subscribed for the purpose of satisfying the Standing Orders, there is a settlement deed, a deed that the subscribers sign amongst themselves?—There is.

5860. That is invariably the course, they sign a deed by which they bind themselves to whatever the directors shall think proper to do, to further the object to procure the Bill?—There is a deed of that sort.

5861. Either in the immediate Parliament after the signing the deed or any subsequent Parliament?—Until the Act is obtained.

5862. You have spoken of asking persons to sign, whom you considered sufficient to satisfy the requisitions of Parliament?—Yes.

5863. Is it your opinion then that this Parliamentary deed, as I may call it, is available only until the Act passes, and then the Act is substituted for the deed? —That is my opinion.

5864. You have been engaged in several companies; is that the invariable practice?—I believe it is the invariable practice, I have never known it otherwise.

5865. Did you ever know any instance in which, after an Act was obtained, the subscription deed has been resorted to, for the purpose of enforcing payments, or any purpose whatever?—Never.

5866. Have you ever in the course of your experience known any instance in which the directors of a company, after the Act was passed, have relied upon the subscription deed at all?—Not at all; it is perfect waste paper after the Act is obtained.

5867. From your experience as a director of several of these companies, do you think that it would be possible to get a capital together, necessary for an undertaking of that description, if any reliance was placed upon the subscription deed?— Undoubtedly not, any more than any loans could be effected without a subscription deed, or a subscription by the contracting party.

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5868. In the course of your experience, have you known many contracts for loans?—I have known many.

5869. Do you not know it is the invariable practice for persons to contract loans to a much larger amount, than it is possible for them out of their funds to satisfy?—Unquestionably.

5870. After the Acts are obtained in those different undertakings, is it not the course of the parties to come in and deposit for their shares?—Yes, it is.

5871. And then the persons who are the registered owners of the shares, are recognized as the persons liable to the company for the calls?—Yes, those are the only persons.

5872. If a transfer takes place by an original shareholder to a purchaser, and that transfer is registered, does the transferree of the shares then become the owner?—Yes, there is a stamp attached to every transfer, and it is not legal without it.

5873. Parties who had subscribed those deeds, would be entitled, in consequence of their subscription, to demand shares to the amount, would they not?—I conceive not to the whole amount, unless they wished it.

5874. If they pay deposits upon their shares, and register them, they are entitled to them?—Yes, they are.

5875. But they are not entitled without paying their deposits and registering?—If there are any shares not taken up, then I conceive that the directors would allot them to those who had signed the deed, giving them the priority of claim.

5876. Those parties would have an option as to those shares not allotted?—Yes.

5877. You have been asked, whether you attended the board the 14th of February; here are the minutes, I see your name is not among them?—I was not present at the board.

5878. I believe your solicitors were, Mr. M'Dougall, Mr. Vallance, and Messrs. Currie & Woodgate, nominally. I believe Mr. Woodgate of that firm attended to the business of the company?—Almost entirely; I never recollect seeing Mr. Currie but once during the time I was a member of the board.

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

5879. When you mentioned having been a member of the board of the South Eastern Company, you did not mean the South Eastern Company as now formed, carrying on its line?—No.

5880. You mean the line from Greenwich to Dover, the North Kent line?—Yes.

5881. Was not that abandoned, as not the most preferable line. Do you not know that that opinion dissolved the board?—It caused a schism in the board.

5882. Do you not know that the majority of your directors retired on that account from that company?—There were not above three or four members altogether belonging to it. It scarcely could be called a Board at the time they abandoned it.

5883. At the time its decease took place?—Yes.

5884. Your object was from Greenwich to Dover, to increase the interest and profitableness of the Greenwich?—Yes, and as giving accommodation to all the populous districts in Kent; I believe the population is about 20 times as great on the North Eastern line as it is on the South Eastern line, and that was my reason for adhering to the North Eastern line.

5885. Was not there a schism upon the expense of crossing the Medway and the difficulties of the upper line, which broke them up?—I believe at that time there was some difficulty in the line, which has now been overcome.

5886. You say you have never known the subscription deed resorted to, to enforce calls?—Never.

5887. Have you had anything to do with the legal conduct of actions for the recovery of calls?—Never.

5888. Do you know anything about it, or what proofs are put in, in suits in law?—In every Act of Parliament there is a clause that directs you to proceed for the recovery of calls and for the forfeiture of shares?—No reference is ever made to the subscription deed.

5889. Do you know anything at all respecting the conduct of suits for the recovery of calls, or what evidence is given on the trial of such actions?—I have only heard that the action is proceeded on according to the clause in the Act.

5890. Do you know that all Railway Acts contain a power to the directors, enabling them to sue for calls?—Yes.

5891. Do

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5891. Do you not know further, that if the original subscribers on the subscription deed have not parted with their shares, or any other parties in lieu of them being registered, that the directors can bring actions on the contract deed for the calls due under the Act?—No, I do not.

5892. Do you not know that that is the case in the Greenwich Acts?—No, I do not; the Act supersedes the deed itself.

5893. Will you state that positively, in respect of the Greenwich Acts?—Yes, I will.

5894. Have you brought any actions in the Greenwich Company for the recovery of calls?—Not one.

5895. Have you ever known any action brought by any company to which you have belonged?—No, I have not.

5896. Just state to the Committee what you understand was the liability or non-liability of the original Greenwich subscribers to the directors, under the Act of Parliament.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question. The question was waived.

5897. *Chairman.*] Do you know, personally, a man of the name of Cook, or Cookes?—No, I do not.

5898. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] In reply to a question from the learned Counsel, you stated that certain members of the Stock Exchange had occasionally business transactions with these jobbers; is that considered by men of business to be a strictly reputable practice?—I believe it is only done in cases where the shares can only be obtained through those persons. There are some companies formed where the shares do not get into the Stock Exchange; they might have orders to purchase shares, and they can only be obtained from persons who job in them on the Royal Exchange, and in that instance it is done.

Mr. *Robert Wilson,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

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5899. IS your name Robert Wilson?—Yes.

5900. Where do you reside?—At Walworth.

5901. Are you a salaried clerk in the bank of Messrs. Spooner & Attwood?—Yes.

5902. Are you a subscriber in the Kent Railway subscription deed?—No, I am not.

5903. Is there any other Wilson in Gracechurch-street, at 27?—Yes; there is another Wilson in our office.

5904. What is his name?—I do not know it exactly; I think it is William Wynne Wilson.

5905. What is your name?—Robert.

5906. Have you subscribed the Kent deed?—Yes.

5907. For how much?—I merely subscribed it in exchange for others.

5908. For how much have you subscribed? [*The deed was shown to the Witness.*]—"Robert Wilson, 27, Gracechurch-street, 5,000 *l.*"

5909. Is that your signature?—Yes.

5910. At what period did you sign that subscription of 5,000 *l.*?—Several weeks back; I cannot charge my memory when.

5911. Did you sign the deed again a second time?—Yes, I believe I did.

5912. When did you sign the first sum?—Several weeks back; I cannot say when.

5913. The second?—About four months.

5914. What is the amount of the second signature?—£. 6,000.

[*The deed was handed to Mr. Parkes.*]

5915. Have you signed it a third time?—No.

5916. Is the total 11,000*l.*?—Yes.

5917. Is that your own subscription?—No.

5918. For whom was it signed?—They were given me by the firm to exchange for the Kent Railway.

5919. On two several occasions?—Yes.

5920. What do you mean by being given to you by the firm to exchange?—They were handed over to me to go and get them exchanged at the office.

5921. Did you go to the office?—Yes.

5822. More than once?—Yes, several times.

5923. For scrip to exchange?—Yes.

5924. How

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5924. How many times did you go to the office, and with what amount of scrip?—To the amount I have subscribed.

5925. Did you sign each time at the office of the company?—Yes.

5926. Did you not sign once in Gracechurch-street?—No.

5927. Who gave you the scrip?—Mr. Twells.

5928. Do you know the amount of scrip?—I did not know till I got to the office, and I signed to that amount.

5929. Who directed you as to the amount to sign for?—A gentleman in the office.

5930. Do you recollect the day of the last signature?—No, I do not; I recollect the amount was 6,000 *l.*

5931. Do you recollect the other amount?—Yes; but not the dates.

5932. You did not represent a shilling of your own?—No.

5933. And were neither directly nor indirectly concerned in any of the scrip?—No.

5934. *Chairman.*] Whose shares were those?—I am sure I do not know; they were sent up by some of our correspondents in the country. I think so.

5935. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you know anything about it?—No; it is merely supposition.

5936. *Chairman.*] Why do you state what is merely supposition? What knowledge have you upon the subject, or by whom have you been informed that those were shares belonging to correspondents in the country?—I had no knowledge of it; I merely supposed so.

5937. Who put it into your head?—Nobody, it was merely as agents; they belonged to parties in the country, and we were to exchange them.

5938. Is it a mere idea of yours upon which you have no knowledge?—Yes.

5939. Mr. *Parkes.*] Have you ever signed deeds before?—No.

5940. Had you any Gravesend or Dover scrip to sell?—No.

5941. Was this the first occasion on which you signed the deed?—Yes.

5942. Do you know anything about the shares?—No.

5943. Whose shares they were, except the firm, you know nothing?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

5944. Do you know whether your country correspondents were in the habit of sending up shares to be exchanged?—No.

5945. Nor have you heard it from Mr. Twells?—No.

5946. He is a partner in your house?—Yes.

5947. When you say the gentlemen in the office told you the amount to sign, did they not ascertain the amount of scrip, and told you to sign that amount upon the deed?—Just so.

5948. Did you ever sign any amount upon the deed, beyond the quantity of scrip you took to be exchanged?—No.

Mr. James Walker delivered in the following Paper, in correction of his Evidence.

My dear Sir,—When you asked me who of the Kent Railway directors were known to me, I said the chairman and Mr. Borradaile. On looking at the list, I see that I might have added Mr. Perkins, Sir Leith Hay and Mr. Walter, whom I have known more or less, but only in matters of business, and not as private friends. Had I thought of it at the time, I should have stated that the out-of-door's details necessary for the estimate were interrupted about two weeks by the fall of snow.

I am yours,

To Joseph Parkes, esq. *J. Walker.*

Mr. *William Robinson Chamberlain,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *W. R. Chamberlain.*

5949. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you live?—21, Surrey-grove, Surrey-square, Kent-road.

5950. What is your calling?—A share agent.

5951. Mr. *Parkes.*] Where do you deal; in the Stock Exchange, or outside?—Outside the Royal Exchange.

5952. In the Rotunda?—Sometimes the Rotunda.

5953. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway deed?—Yes.

5954. To what amount?—£. 5,000.

5955. When did you sign it?—Four or five months ago, I should think.

5956. Did you pay your deposit?—I paid nothing.

5957. Were the shares for yourself?—For myself.

5958. Did

5958. Did you exchange?—No.

5959. *Chairman.*] Did you subscribe the deed for 5,000 *l.* as an original subscriber, or by right of any Gravesend or Dover shares you held?—I was an original shareholder formerly.

5960. Mr. *Parkes.*] In which of the companies?—The Dover and Gravesend.

5961. Have you ever had any shares allotted to you?—Yes.

5962. Did you sign the deed?—Yes.

5963. For how many?—I cannot call to mind.

5964. Was it 25; were they 20 *l.* shares?—Yes, they were 20 *l.* shares.

5965. Or 25 *l.*?—£. 25.

5966. Did you sell those?—I bought and sold shares afterwards.

5967. In respect of your subscription to the Kent Railway deed of 5,000 *l.*, was that an original subscription in the Kent, or exchanged?—I beg your pardon.

5968. Where did you sign the deed?—At the Kent Railway-office in Cornhill.

5969. Did you take a corresponding quantity of shares in the Kent Company?—No.

5970. Did you pay any deposit upon them?—No.

5971. How came you to sign the deed?—Being a share dealer, and being an original shareholder, I signed the deed.

5972. What communication had you with any persons upon the subject of your signing the deed?—I was asked to sign the deed.

5973. Who by?—Mr. Smith.

5974. Do you recollect the time he asked you?—No, I do not.

5975. In consequence of his request, did you sign it?—At his request, and being a dealer in the shares; I had bought and sold a good many.

5976. Did you procure any other person to sign?—No.

5977. Did you know of any others signing?—No more than I have heard since what has been reported.

5978. Do you recollect what passed between you and Mr. Smith upon the subject; was it stated to you that they wanted an addition to the list?—What passed was, "Have you any objection to sign this deed?"

5979. Who indicated the figures, you or Mr. Smith?—I believe myself.

5980. Have you paid any deposit upon them?—No.

5981. And taken out no scrip?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Thesiger.*

5982. Have you been a long time a dealer in shares?—Yes.

5983. How many years?—I have been a dealer in English and Foreign stocks and shares for 15 years.

5984. You probably know the faces and dealings of those who are termed jobbers and dealers in shares?—Yes.

5985. Do you know Charles Spencer?—Yes.

5986. Is he a jobber?—He is not a jobber.

5987. What should you call him?—He is a person that is out of employment altogether.

5988. Is he a lurker about the Exchange, to pick up what he can?—Yes.

5989. Do you know whether he is a discharged bank clerk?—I have understood so, for the last three or four years.

5990. Do you know Benjamin Wheeler Poulton?—Yes.

5991. Is he a gentleman who haunts the Exchange?—Yes.

5992. Is he what may be called a jobber or dealer in shares?—You may call him a dealer and jobber.

5993. Is he a man of the same stamp and description as Spencer, looking about for what he can get?—Yes.

5994. Do you know whether he sometimes reverses his name, and is sometimes Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, and sometimes Benjamin Poulton Wheeler?—I have heard of such a thing, but I do not know it myself.

5995. Do you know Thomas Green?—Yes.

5996. What is Thomas Green?—I have known him the last two or three years as a person who has come to write for shares and sell the letters.

5997. Do you know Stephens?—Yes.

5998. What

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5998. What may Stephens be?—I do not know much about him.

5999. The little you do know about him, just let us hear?—He is a person who has brought out a company or two, or two or three companies.

6000. Companies of what description; bubble companies?—Yes.

6001. Where does he blow his bubbles; upon the Exchange?—About the Exchange.

6002. When he has got any good thing of that kind to tempt the public with, does he go to the Exchange and publish it there, inviting those different persons, Green, Spencer and Poulton, to join with him?—They have joined him in two or three companies.

6003. Do you know whether they join in petitions with Stephens?—They sign petitions.

6004. Do you know whether there is any company formed to get up petitions; a joint stock company for petitioning Parliament?—I have understood there is.

6005. Do you know who is the solicitor of the company?—[*No answer.*]

Re-examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

6006. Do you know personally anything whatever about the companies got up by Mr. Stephens?—I wrote for some shares and had some shares allotted to me.

6007. Was that the Cotton Company?—No, Strood and Rochester.

6008. Do you know anything of any other company he was connected with?—I believe the Maidstone Junction.

6009. Do you know anything about the matters or affairs of those companies?—In the Strood and Rochester those who paid money have not had it returned.

6010. Is the money all spent?—I suppose so.

6011. Bubbles cost a good deal of money to blow them?—Very likely.

Mr. *James Vallance,* called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *J. Vallance.*

6012. ARE you one of the three co-solicitors to the Kent Railway Bill?—I am one of the three solicitors.

6013. Were you the sole solicitor of the former projects consolidated into the Kent?—I was.

6014. Are you a subscriber to the Kent Railway Company?—No.

6015. Have you any indirect interest in shares signed or subscribed by any other parties?—No.

6016. Neither directly nor indirectly?—No.

6017. Any of your personal friends?—Not one of them; I know some gentlemen on the deed; they are not friends of mine.

6018. Who are they?—Mr. Attwood is one.

6019. You take no interest in it?—No.

6020. Were you a subscriber in the two preceding companies?—No.

6021. *Chairman.*] You were not a subscriber to the Gravesend or Dover?—No.

6022. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you ever hold any shares in either of the three companies?—No.

6023. Did you ever hold any shares in the Gravesend?—There were some shares allotted to me; but I was ill at home at the time, and those were sold.

6024. What shares were they?—They were allotted to me in consequence of my having in the former Gravesend subscribed 100 *l.*, and I sold them.

6025. How many shares were allotted to you?—Three hundred, I believe; but some of them were wanted back to qualify a director, and I gave them up.

6026. How many of them?—One hundred, and the other 100 was the result of 100 *l.* I had paid, and which I had subscribed; and then they allotted shares to the amount of the money subscribed in the first Gravesend Company; those I sold.

6027. Did you sell them at a premium?—Yes.

6028. Have you bought or sold in any others?—None.

6029. Or directly or indirectly been concerned in them?—Neither directly nor indirectly.

6030. *Chairman.*] Have you held any shares by nominees?—No.

6031. Mr. *Parkes.*] For those shares you sold, did you sign the deed?—No.

6032. Was it any part of your duty, as solicitor, to look to anything but the preparation of the deeds for the Kent Railway?—I consider not.

6033. Had you any knowledge of the characters of the parties who had signed the deed, or their responsibility?—Never.

6034. Were

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6034. Were you never advised with upon the subject?—No.

6035. When did you first know the subscription was insufficient?—The same morning that Mr. Phillpotts had mentioned that Mr. Borradaile had made the communication to him, I saw him and the secretaries go out; I saw something was the matter, and I inquired of the secretaries afterwards what it was, and I was told, there was a petition getting up in consequence of the deed having been improperly signed, and parties paid for it; I was very much astonished and questioned them about it; they said they knew nothing of it; that Mr. Hamond had had the deed, and had got it signed.

6036. Although one of the solicitors of the company, and the single solicitor of the two preceding companies, did you never concern yourself to inform yourself of the character, or nature, or extent of the Kent Railway Company's subscription list?—Never. I would never know anything about it. I considered it so contrary to my duty I would never interfere, I had so much to attend to; and besides that, I considered it beside my duty.

6037. Had you made any preparations to go into a committee upon the Bill?—None.

6038. Whose professional duty would it have been to have prepared proof for counsel, relative to the responsibility of the subscription list?—Upon my word that would not have occurred to me. We never considered that it would have come into committee; we should have prepared the proof if we had expected opposition.

6039. Would it not be an important proof for the Bill, the *bonâ fide* character of your subscription list?—It might, but it would be a month before we could be in committee, and have to show that.

6040. Do you not know, under the Standing Orders of last year, that you would have to give very particular evidence upon that subject?—I knew that evidence would be required as to the 2,000 *l.* subscribers, and that they would be published; but I was no more prepared with that than I was with parol evidence on the line till I got into committee.

6041. Had you perused the printed publications of the committees upon the Bills of last session, the Brighton, the Blackwall, or the South Eastern?—I cannot say I had; my time was taken up in reading the written evidence on the South Eastern, and I was ill.

6042. Are you aware in those committees a very considerable mass of evidence was given upon the pecuniary responsibility of those parties?—I was not aware of it.

Mr. *Robert Lancaster*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *R. Lancaster.*

6043. IS that a correct record of the applications and appropriations and exchanges of the Kent Railway shares, [*handing a book to the Witness*]?—There may be errors in it; I cannot say there are not.

6044. Is that a book belonging to the directors professing to contain that information?—Yes.

6045. *Chairman.*] To the best of your belief does it contain a correct list of those applications and allotments?—Yes.

Mr. *Parkes* applied for Mr. Lancaster to be directed to make out a list of the applications and appropriations, and of those persons who had paid deposits upon Kent shares.

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the application.

The *Chairman* stated that the better way would be for Mr. Parkes to make out the account in the best way he could, and then to call the officers of the company to show that it was a correct account.

After discussion, the Committee-room was cleared.

After some time the Counsel and Parties were called in, and informed by the Chairman that he was instructed by the Committee to make an order upon the directors to furnish the return in question.

Mr. *Parkes* stated that he abandoned the allegation in the Petition with respect to shares subscribed for by persons residing in Bristol, Birmingham, Chester, Liverpool and Manchester; and that with the exception of putting in an Act of Parliament, and some other documents, he had closed his evidence.

Mercurii, 15° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Forster.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	Mr. J. Young.
Mr. C. Lushington.	

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

MR. *Parkes* stated that he was not prepared to deliver in to-day the documents he wished to lay before the Committee, but that he should be able to do so to-morrow, and that they would consist of the following papers:

1. A Schedule of the Names of such Directors of the Kent Railway Company who appear in the printed or published prospectus of other public companies in the years 1835, 1836 and 1837.
2. A List of Prices current of the Gravesend Railway shares, the Dover Railway shares and the Kent Railway shares in 1835, 1836 and 1837.
3. An Alphabetical List of the Christian and Surnames of the Subscribers to the Kent Railway Company, their respective abodes and the sums subscribed by them.
4. An Alphabetical List of the Subscribers to the Gravesend Company, showing such subscribers as were subscribers to the Dover Railway Company, and such persons of the Gravesend shareholders who were subscribers to the Kent Railway Company.
5. A Classification of the Shareholders in the Kent Railway Company, and their various aggregate amounts.
6. The number of Assentients, Dissentients and Neuters to the said Line deposited in the Private Bill-office, and the quantum of land respectively represented by such persons.
7. Certain Acts of Parliament, copies of which documents he would deliver to the Counsel on the other side to-morrow morning.

Mr. *Robert Lancaster*, called in; and further Examined.

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6046. *Chairman.*] IN what documents of the companies are there any records of the deposits paid upon original Kent shares?—The record is in that red book you saw last night. The remittances came in bulk to me; they were paid into the bankers, not in the usual way, where receipts are given, or letters of appropriation are made; because the sums were remitted previous to the same being made, and paid *en masse* into the banker's, and it would afford you no clue whatever.

6047. Have you the banker's book here?—No, I have not.

6048. Mr. *Parkes.*] Turn to the book, and read over the names of those gentlemen who have paid deposits; what is the name of the first gentleman who has paid calls for original shares, and what is the amount?—The name of the first gentleman is the Rev. James Balfour.

6049. What has he paid?—£.20.

6050. Upon how many shares?—Ten shares.

6051. *Chairman.*] Read in succession, through the alphabetical list of the original Kent shareholders, singling out those who have paid deposits upon their shares: give the Christian and surname, the number of shares, and the amount of deposit paid?—John Birkenhead, 22, Park-walk, Chelsea, held five Gravesend shares, and paid 5*l.* for five shares. William Collins, No. 2, Broad-street-buildings, paid 20*l.*, 10 shares. John Clemeson, esq., Chester, paid 50*l.*, 25 shares. William Cross, esq., mayor of Chester, 50*l.*, 25 shares. W. G. Cussens, held five shares, paid 5*l.* James Crauford, Liverpool, held five, and paid 5*l.* Thomas Clarke, jun.,

jun., 55, Lionel-street, Birmingham, paid 100*l.*, 50 shares. The Rev. Joseph Cope, Clare Hall, Cambridge, paid 60*l.* Captain F. H. Denkin, R.N., 9, Scarsdale-terrace, Kensington, paid 10*l.* Thomas Dinman, Stock Exchange, held 10 shares, and paid 10*l.* A. C. Drawater, of Dorchester, holds 20 shares, and paid 20*l.* W. J. G. Dilworth, 13, Newcastle-street, City, paid 10*l.*, and exchanged 10 shares. Ewart and Bell, No. 2, Shorter's-court, had 100 shares, paid 100*l.* Thos. Eastwich, Northampton, had six shares, and paid 6*l.* in addition. Zephaniah Fry, of Bristol, paid 60 *l.* William Henry Foreman, 45, Leadenhall-street, holds 27 shares, and paid 3 *l.* to make it 15 in the Kent. George Franks, of Chester, 10 *l.* James Fellon, Royal-mews, Pimlico, had 20 shares, and paid 15 *l.* Daniel Forrester, of St. Albans, paid 20 *l.* in addition to 80 shares, to make a claim to 50; he has not had them yet. T. M. Farquhar, 1, Crown-court, Threadneedle-street, had 10 shares and paid 10 *l.* John Field, 11, Throgmorton-street, paid 10 *l.* Richard Gough, Chester, paid 200 *l.* Richard Gunter, Berkeley-square, paid 4 *l.* Mary Grantham, of Croydon, paid 40 *l.* William Harrop, Chester, paid 50 *l.* John Hall, of Rochester, paid 20 *l.*, and held 20 shares. John Hignett, solicitor, Chester, paid 40 *l.*, and exchanged 10. James Holmes, of Chester, paid 10 *l.* Hazlewood & Sons, 15, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street, paid 100 *l.*, and exchanged 100 shares. Charles Hitch, Lord Chamberlain's Office, 10 *l.* William Harling, Chester, paid 20 *l.* John Hind, solicitor, Sittingbourne, paid 20 *l.* Robert Hind, Milton, paid 4 *l.* Robert Hind, junior, ditto, 6 *l.* William Waters Hoare, 13, Raven-row, Mile End, paid 5 *l.* and exchanged 15. John William Hamilton, 40, Broad-street-buildings, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. Charles Hoghton, 49, Hamilton-terrace, St. John's Wood, paid 25 *l.*, and exchanged 25 shares. John Harford, of Birmingham, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. Robert Jackson, of Lancaster, paid 20 *l.*, and exchanged 20. James Lambert, Bradford, Yorkshire, paid 50 *l.* Edward Watson Lloyd, esq., Chester, paid 20 *l.* George William Lewis, 130, Jermyn-street, paid 9 *l.*, and exchanged 15*l.* Walter Lerigo, Bury, Lancashire, paid 15 *l.*, and exchanged 25 shares. Mitchell and Collins, 48, Lime-street, paid 20 *l.* Alfred Mills, of Holbeach, paid 20 *l.*, and exchanged 20. John Morgan, 2, Friday-street, Cheapside, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. J. Marsh, Queen's-row, Walworth, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. Major Justinian Nutt, Lansdowne-cresent, Cheltenham, 200 *l.* The Rev. George Neeton, Norwich, paid 45 *l.*, and exchanged 35 shares. John Palin, Chester, paid 100*l.* Samuel Preston, of Lancaster, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. John Parnell, Bennett-street, St. James's, paid 10 *l.*, and exchanged 10. Alexander Powell, Hardwicke-house, Salisbury, paid 25 *l.*, and exchanged 25. shares. Thomas Pedley, 110, Cheapside, paid 10 *l.*, and exchanged 10. George P. Philipe, Gray's-Inn, paid 100 *l.* Rebecca Pretty, Tutnal, Wolverhampton, paid 20 *l.*, and exchanged 20. Thomas Parry, of Manchester, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. The Rev. Richard Quarrell, Cheltenham, exchanged 75, and paid 25 *l.* Catherine Quarrell, ditto, exchanged 85, and paid 15 *l.* O. F. Reeves, Glasgow, paid 90 *l.*, and exchanged 90. J. H. Cromwell Russell, solicitor, Sittingbourne, paid 33 *l.*, and exchanged 33 shares. William Richards, esq., Great Beighton, Cheshire, paid 20 *l.* A. Reynolds, 221, Strand, paid 5 *l.*, and exchanged five. William Rist, 29, Great North-street, Lisson-grove, paid 15*l.*, and exchanged 65; he has not exchanged them all, but that will be the result of it. John Rodney, Birmingham, paid 45*l.*, and exchanged 125. George Robinson, White Conduit-street, Pentonville, paid 5*l.*, and exchanged five. John Reeve, John-street, Adelphi, paid 10*l.*, and exchanged 10. Joseph Smith, of Cirencester, paid 25*l.*, and exchanged five shares. John Soare, of Exeter, paid 50*l.* Catherine Stanley, Cumberland-street, Portman-square, paid 20*l.* Elizabeth Stanley, ditto, 10*l.* William Spratt, of Chester, paid 200*l.* John Seacombe, of Chester, paid 50*l.* Richard Smith, Wool-street, Birmingham, paid 20*l.*, and exchanged 40. Miss Short, Birmingham, paid 20*l.* Joseph Shorthouse, Birmingham, paid 15*l.*, and exchanged 15. Samuel Stammers, of Lloyd's Coffee-house, paid 5*l.*, and exchanged 25, at least he will do; he has not exchanged them yet. Thomas Starate, of Liverpool, paid 20*l.* Richard St. Amour, of Ostend, paid 10*l.*, exchanged 10. John Uniacke, esq., Chester, 100*l.* E. Vandergent, Tavistock-street, Bedford-square, 5*l.*, exchanged 15. William Williams, Chester, paid 40*l.* Miss Martha Walley, of Chester, paid 20*l.* George Ward, of Chester, paid 10*l.* James Charles Warren, New-street, City, paid 5*l.*, and exchanged five shares. James Wrighton, Billiter-street, paid 35*l.* and exchanged 35 shares. W. C. Wright, paid 5*l.*, and exchanged 125.

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6052. Does that contain a record of all the payments and deposits on original Kent shares?—To the best of my knowledge.

6053. Are there any payments in your banker's books, not recorded in your folio volume?—I should think not; certainly not, for shares, there cannot be.

Mr. *Parkes* stated he should not now require the directors to comply with the order which had been directed to be served upon them last night.

6054. Mr. *Parkes* to Mr. *Lancaster.*] Has there been any public advertisement in the London journals, or by public prospectus, which informed the subscribers to the Gravesend or the Dover Railway, the shareholders or scripholders, or both, that they might receive their money, or exchange their scrip? —Undoubtedly there has been, or I should have thought it a moral impossibility for the correspondents in Manchester to send for them.

6055. Can you state that such an advertisement was issued?—Yes, I can state it.

6056. About what time?—I think about the 18th April 1836; I am pretty sure it was in all the papers.

6057. Can you produce any advertisement to that effect?—They are not in my custody.

Mr. *Parkes* requested the Committee to inform themselves, before the conclusion of the investigation, of the contents of the minute-books of the meetings of directors.

The *Chairman* inquired whether Mr. Parkes intended to sum up to-day?

Mr. *Parkes* replied, he should not be prepared to do so till after the documents he had alluded to had been put in, which would be done to-morrow, and he should then ask the Committee to allow him to sum up on the following day. He also stated that it would be a convenience to him now to know whether the Counsel on the other side meant to call evidence.

Mr. *Thesiger* declined giving any answer to the inquiry.

Veneris, 17° *die Martii,* 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. G. Evans.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. D. Gaskell.	Sir E. Wilmot.
Mr. C. Lushington.	

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ., IN THE CHAIR.

THE following Evidence taken before the Committee yesterday, by the consent of the Parties, in the presence of three Members, was read, and adopted by the Committee to-day.

Jovis, 16° *die Martii*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. D. Gaskell. | Mr. Thornely. | Mr. Warburton.

HENRY WARBURTON, ESQ. IN THE CHAIR.

With the consent of the Parties on both sides, the following Evidence was received.

Mr. *William Cooke*, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *W. Cooke*.

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6058. ARE you a Messenger of the House?—Yes, I am.

6059. Had you some warrants to serve yesterday for this Committee?—Yes.

6060. *Chairman*.] You are the officer whose duty it is to deliver summonses?—It is my turn to deliver them this week.

6061. Mr. *Parkes*.] What warrants had you for service yesterday afternoon?—One for Mr. Price of the Falmouth Railway-office. I went there last night, and there was no one in the place; I could not find any one. I went again this morning, and inquired for Mr. Price; they said he was out of town, and was expected back again in a week.

6062. What other summons had you to serve?—George Stephens; I went there last night, to Basinghall-street, No. 20; they said they were not there, and did not know where they lived.

6063. You say "they," was there another Stephens?—Yes, two.

6064. Did that answer apply to both the Stephens's?—Yes.

6065. William Stephens and George Stephens?—Yes.

6066. Did you go to Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars?—No.

6067. You went to Basinghall-street?—Yes.

6068. What number?—Twenty. And I went again this morning, and inquired if Mr. Stephens was come, and I saw a young man of the name of Tyler; he said, he belonged to the next office; that Mr. Stephens came there occasionally, and he was not sure whether they would be there to-day, or when they would, and he did not know where they lived.

6069. Did you leave either of those warrants?—Yes, I left them both there; he said, if Mr. Stephens came there, he would take care to give them to him.

6070. Did you make any other service or inquiry?—Yes, Mr. Anderson.

6071. Where did you inquire for him?—No. 3, Cloak-lane.

6072. Was it John Henry Anderson?—Yes.

6073. No. 8, Cloak-lane, solicitor?—No. 3. I saw a clerk in the office; he told me Mr. Anderson would be there about 11 to day, and he would give him the order, and no doubt he would be here.

6074. You left it?—Yes.

6075. Were those all the summonses you had?—Yes, those were all I had.

Mr. *Robert Lancaster*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes*.

Mr. *R. Lancaster*.

6076. DO you know anything of John Henry Anderson, described as of No. 3, Cloak-lane, solicitor, 8,500 *l.*?—No, I know nothing of him.

6077. Have you ever seen him, or do you know anything of him?—I may have seen him, but I do not know anything of him at all.

6078. Do you know who witnessed his signature?—I do not know whether it was myself or not.

6079. Do you know anything of Mr. Price?—I have seen him, but I know nothing of him, beyond knowing it was him if I saw him.

6080. Do you know anything of the Stephens's?—No.

6081. Nothing at all?—No, I do not.

6082. Do you know anything of Mr. Andrews?—I know him when I see him.

6083. Is

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6083. Is that all you know of him?—That is all I had to do with him.

6084. Do you know who he is?—No.

6085. Do you know his profession or trade?—He is of your own profession, I believe.

6086. Do you not know that he is?—Not to a certainty; I do not look over the Law List.

6087. You look over the subscribers' list sometimes?—Yes, I look over them.

6088. Have you ever seen him at the office?—Yes.

6089. How often?—Perhaps twice or thrice I may have seen him.

6090. Do you know which of your directors (if any) are acquainted with him?—I should presume——

6091. Mr. *Rotch.*] Do you know or not?—No.

6092. Mr. *Parkes.*] What should you presume upon your knowledge?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The question was waived.

6093. Mr. *Parkes.*] Do you, in point of fact, know any particular acquaintance he has with any director of the board?—I do not know of any acquaintance he has with any of them.

6094. Not with any single member?—No.

6095. Do you know if he knows anything of any member of the board?—

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The question was waived.

6096. Do you know anything of his circumstances?—All I know of him is, that when I see him I know it is Mr. Andrews; I am not acquainted with Mr. Andrews at all.

6097. Do you mean to say, you have only seen him twice or thrice at the office?—I have only seen him there two or three times.

6098. Have you ever seen him elsewhere?—Yes, in Cornhill and Lombard-street.

6099. How often?—I cannot answer that question. How in the world can I know?

Mr. *Thesiger* objected to the question.

The question was withdrawn.

Mr. *James Vallance*, called in; and further Examined by Mr. *Parkes.*

Mr. *J. Vallance.*

6100. DO you know anything of a member of our profession, Mr. Andrews?—I understood he was a solicitor.

6101. Do you know him?—No.

6102. Have you ever seen him?—Yes.

6103. Where?—I have seen him some years ago; I met him at a dinner at Mr. Stewart's, in Harley-street.

6104. Do you know anything of his present circumstances?—Nothing whatever.

6105. Do you owe John Henry Anderson, of Cloak-lane, solicitor, 8,500 *l.*?—I do.

6106. Do you know him?—Yes.

6107. Do you know anything of his circumstances?—All I know of him is that he was a member of the same lodge of which I was a member.

6108. Do you know anything of his pecuniary responsibility?—Nothing whatever.

6109. Do you know of any relation between Mr. Anderson and any member of your board?—I know nothing of it.

6110. Or between Mr. Andrews and any member of the board?—I know nothing of it.

6111. Do you know the Stephens's?—I do not; I never saw them in my life that I know of.

6112. Do you know Mr. Price?—Yes; I know he was a partner of Messrs. Evitt & Rickson some years ago; I met him once on business, and I saw him at the dinner at the opening of the Greenwich Railway, and that is the last time I saw him.

6113. Have

6113. Have you any knowledge by what director or person connected with your company those five individuals were introduced into the subscription list?—Not the least in the world.

6114. *Committee.*] Was Mr. Price introduced by any member of the board or person connected with your company?—Not to my knowledge or belief.

6115. Mr. *Parkes.*] Did you recommend any persons for scrip in the Kent Company?—No.

6116. Not one?—No, not one.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, he should be prepared to deliver in to-morrow the various documents to which he had alluded yesterday.

Mr. *Thesiger* stated, he should object to the production of the papers mentioned as Nos. 1 and 6.

THE *Chairman* suggested an alteration in the title of the paper first proposed to be produced by Mr. Parkes, to this effect, that it should only appear as a schedule of persons appearing as directors in prospectuses and advertisements of other companies.

Mr. *Parkes* proposed to meet some gentlemen on the other side to go over the names contained in the prospectuses and advertisements alluded to.

Mr. *Thesiger* stated, that it did not appear to him that the papers now referred to could be at all relevant to the inquiry before this Committee.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, that the object of it was to show that the Parties connected with this company had been engaged in many other companies of a similar character.

The Counsel and Parties were directed to withdraw.

After some time the Counsel and Parties were again called in, and informed that the Committee had determined that the paper under discussion should be put in; but that the schedule was to be restricted to printed lists, and should be described as a list put in by the original petitioners.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, he would deliver in the list, and submit the title to the Chairman's correction.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, that the list of prices current he was unable to produce, and therefore could not tender them. He also stated that the Alphabetical List had been corrected in pencil, and was now fair copying.

The *Chairman* stated, that it would be sufficient if it was put in on the day the Committee met to agree upon their final Report.

Mr. *Parkes* stated, that a considerable difficulty arose in finding the original documents to make a Comparative Table of the persons and amounts subscribing for the Gravesend and Dover Railway, in consequence of an error in the entry, that it was not discovered till late last night, and the officer in whose custody they were, refused to search for them by candlelight; that he would refer to them in his summary, and should afterwards request them to be inserted in the Minutes.

Mr. *Parkes* also stated, that the schedule classifying the several amounts of subscription was not examined, and therefore could not be delivered in at present; that it should be delivered in before the Committee made its Report.

He also stated that the Acts of Parliament being documents accessible to the Members of the Committee, and which he had a right to refer to, he should not deliver them in but merely refer to them.

Mr. *Parkes* was then heard to comment upon the evidence which had been produced in support of the Petition for which he appeared.

At the request of Mr. *Thesiger* (who stated it was not his intention to call any evidence after he had concluded his address), the Committee agreed to adjourn till To-morrow, Eleven o'clock.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF APPENDIX.

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APPENDIX.

— No. 1. —

APPENDIX TO MINUTES, 7 *March* 1837.

N. B.—The words and figures included within [ ] denote the same to be erased in MS., and the correction is denoted by smaller type.

The words and figures between ( ) are in Red Ink in the MS.

The words and figures thus denoted (*) are written in Pencil in the MS.

The numbers in the Column of Letters, which in the MS. were thus marked, ✓ and in Pencil, are denoted by a §.

Number of Shares Applied for.	NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of Letter.	REMARKS.	No. of Shares Appropriated. (Letters returned from Bankers)	No. of Shares Appropriated. —	DATE.
20	R. Powell - - -	147, Fenchurch-street - -	1				
40	John Bailey - ✓×	28, Commercial Sale-rooms -	2				
20 40	P. [Armstrong] Annislie - -	28, Commercial Sale-rooms, and 43, Great Portland-street.	3	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	John Favell - ✓×	87, Cornhill, John's Coffee-house	4				
25	T. B. Sweetman - ✓×	87, Cornhill - - ditto - -	5				
10	John Storey - ✓×	Mile End Road - - -	6	Offered to pay the deposit down.			
10	Thomas Thorne - ✓×	Virginia Coffee-house, proprietor of	7	(This is cancelled, Mr. Thorne having ordered 50 shares. *See* No. 258.)			
30	Charles Isaacs - ✓×	38, Tavistock-street Covent Garden	8				
30	Upton & Co. - ✓×	64, Queen-street Cheapside -	9	The Patent Paint Company.			
30	James Davis - ✓	66, Upper Thames-street - -	10				
(*40)✓ 50	Lord Teynham - ✓	Carnegie House Kensington -	11	- - - -	(40)	(4)	Cancelled. ✓
35	James Wright, architect	12, Grafton-street Bond-street -	12				
50	Geo. F. Morrison ✓	56, Basinghall-street - - -	13	✓ Colonel Utterton -	(30)	30	
20	John Clutterbuck -	40, Penton-place Pentonville -	14				
10	J. Monger - - ✓×	58, Threadneedle-street - -	15	Proprietor Baltic Coffee-house.			
30	S. Mocatta - - -	17, Throgmorton-street - -	16				
30	John Mocatta, jun. ✓×	Stock Exchange - - -	17				
10	John Wort - - ✓×	23, Canterbury-row Kennington -	18	Holds shares in the Greenwich.	(5)	5	
15	George Aubrey - -	5, Lyon's-Inn - - - -	19				
20	H. Robson - - ✓×	Stock Exchange - - -	20				
10✓ 30	E. Heseltine - ✓	24, Finch-lane - - - -	21	- - - -	(10)	10	
30	David Dias - - ✓×	54, Great Prescott-street Goodman's-fields.	22				
20	Barnet Levy - ✓×	29, Mitre-street Aldgate - -	23				
20	R. Husband - ✓×	33, Villiers-street Strand - -	24				
5	James Williamson -	145, Leadenhall-street - -	25				
15	Thomas Tollemach ✓×	7, George-st., London-fds., Hackney	26				
5✓ 20	Robert Johnston, jun. ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	27	- - - -	(5)	5	
(*5)✓ 5	John Simpson - -	2, Prince's-square Wilson-street -	28	Holds shares in the Greenwich.	(5)	5	
5	Thomas Turner - ✓×	92, Royal Exchange - - -	29				
30	James Williams - ✓×	10, Tower Royal Watling-street -	30				
40	W. T. Muckell - -	11, Weston-street Borough -	31				
30	C. B. Wilson - -	3, Woburn-place Russell-square -	32				
10	Edward Dalton - ✓×	1, Old Broad-street - - -	33	(Wishes to have 60 more. *See* No. 1065.)			
25	T. Harral - - -	8, Great Queen-street Lincoln's-Inn-fields.	34				
[40 or] 50	Maria Bailey - -	4, Albion-place Canonbury -	35				
10	Henry Wright - ✓×	2, Purim-place Mile End - -	36				
20	Robert Folthorp -	17, Cornhill - - - -	37	*See* also 2120.			
20	Thomas Braddock ✓×	8, Francis-street White Conduit -	38				
1	Fras. Newcombe Landon	3, Park-place Upper Baker-street	39				
30	Henry Hurlbat - -	25, King William-street Strand -	40				
10	Joseph Pitt - - ✓×	15, Harpur-street Red Lion-square	41				
20	George Robinson ✓×	19, Southwark-street, Oxford-terrace, Paddington.	42				
30	Thomas Peirson - -	2, Russia-row Milk-street - -	43				
50	Lewis Benjamin - ✓×	Howard's Coffee-house St. James's-place Aldgate.	44				
5	Jeth Coleman - -	28, Berner's-street Oxford-street	45				
5✓ 40	Gustavus Flindt - ✓	Baltic Coffee-house - - -	46	- - -	(5)	5	

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30	S. Abecasis -	✓ ×	136, Houndsditch - - -	47				
30	J. Du Bois - -	✓ ×	Peckham-grove - - -	48				
20	Daniel Castell -	✓ ×	8, Bevis Marks - - -	49				
10 ✓ 30	Robert Gunson -	✓	West Ham Essex - - -	50	- - - - -	(10)	10	
30	James Vincent -	-	17, Southwark-square Southwark	51				
50	W. B. Bloxam -	✓ ×	40, Broad-street Buildings -	52				
20	William Taylor -	✓ ×	104, Tyssen-place Kingsland-road	53				
(*Colin) 50	[Charles] Smith -	✓	33, Old City Chambers Bishopsgate	54	✓ Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓	25	
30	M. J. Leon -	×	56, Gt. Prescott-st. Goodman-fds.	55				
50	Alexander Gompertz	×	Tiverton-street Newington -	56				
50	Edward Hill -	-	1, Verulam-buildings - -	57				
25	James Aug. Juckes	-	Lincoln Chambers Lincoln's-inn-fds	58				
5 ✓ 20	William Everitt -	✓	Newspaper-office, 92, Exchange -	59	- - - - -	(5)	5	
(*15) 25	Richard Day -	×	88, Gracechurch-street - -	60				
25	J. Azuelos - -	×	6, Bury-street St. Mary Axe -	61				
10	M. Cooke - -	-	19, Gloucester-street Queen's-sq.	62				
20	S. Berrimo -	×	9, Somerset-street Aldgate -	63				
25	S. Bensaqueu -	×	3, Barrow's-bdgs. Devonshire-st.	64				
50	Benrimoni & Co.	×	7, Somerset-street Whitechapel -	65				
20 ✓ 30	J. B. Jarvis -	✓	Drawing-office Bank of England	66	- - - - -	(20)	20	
30	J. Dandridge -	×	102, Wood-street Cheapside -	67				
5 ✓ 20	Charles Griffith -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	68	- - - - -	(5)	5	
15	F. Arnadie -	×	18, Red Cross-street Barbican -	69				
24	Robert Mavrer -	-	9, South-street Finsbury - -	70				
50	N. P. Levi - -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	71	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (30)	30	
30	H. De Castro -	✓	155, Fenchurch-street - -	72	✓ - - ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
30	Henry Mequew, jun.	×	Mile End-road - - - -	73				
50	Jacob N. Castello	×	Beaumont-street Beaumont-square	74				
25	George Harryson	×	3, Walbrook-buildings - -	75				
20	James Smith -	✓	27, Austin-friars - - -	76	✓ Recommended by Col. Utterton.	✓ (20)	20	
30	Congdon, Capt., R. N.	×	104, Upper Seymour-st. Euston-sq.	77	(* Qy. Mannon.)			
25	John Phillipson -	×	32, Trinity-square Southwark -	78				
50	William Mayne -	✓	20, Brunswick-parade Pentonville	79	✓ A friend of Mr. C. Smith, City Chamb. *See* above, No. 54.	✓ (15)	15	
30	George Allardyce	✓	2, Alderman's-walk New Broad-st.	80	✓ Refer to Mr. Walter, and signed.	✓	10	
20	S. Thompson -	×	92, Bunhill-row Chiswell-street -	81				
30	H. Pharozyn -	×	3, Cumberland-st. Hackney-road	82				
15	J. B. Greaves -	×	3, Walbrook-bdgs. Mansion-house	83				
5	R. Ford - -	×	- - - ditto - - - -	84				
(*10) ✓ 20	J. A. Chalk -	-	Lombard-street Chambers -	85	- - - - -	(10)	10	
15	Richard Emerson	-	27, Pudding-lane - - -	86				
50	Henry Jas. Ebsworth	✓	74, Coleman-street - - -	87	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓		
30	Robert Wood -	×	1, Penton-place Walworth -	88				
50	Francis M. Franco	×	15, North-bdgs. Finsbury Circus	89				
25	John Hawley -	✓	Coventry-street Haymarket -	90	- - - - -	✓ (10)	10	
10	Mary Tidswell -	✓	At Mr. Hawley's Coventry-street	91	Application enclosed in Mr. Hawley's.	✓ (5)	5	
10	Alexander Pitt -	✓	Covent-garden Market - -	92	Known to Mr. Green	✓ (5)	5	
40	Samuel S. Clapham	×	5, Backe's-row Charles-sq. Hoxton	93				
50	George Capper -	×	6, Pembury-pl. Camberwell-grove	94				
20	Charles Johnston	×	Bayham Cottage New North-road Camden Town.	95				
5	C. H. Hingeston -	-	30, Wood-street Cheapside -	96				
50	John Reed - -	-	23, Fort-street Spital-square -	97				
20	Benjamin Goldsmid	-	10½, Cushion-ct. Old Broad-street	98				
20	John Hall - -	-	33, Surrey-street Strand - -	99	Refers to Mr. S. Ridge, Stock Exchange.			
25	William Atkinson	×	4, Bank Chambers - - -	100				
200	J. E. Stokes -	×	5, - - ditto - - -	101	(*Qy. J. M.) - -	✓		
20	John White -	×	6, Lark-bdgs. Cambridge-heath Hackney.	102				
30	R. Rickards -	×	7, Temple-place Hackney-road -	103				
15	John Ashwell -	×	8, Mason's-alley Basinghall-street	104				
20	E. Floyd - -	✓	55, Bishopsgate-street Within -	105	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓		
20	Thomas V. Williams	-	Bishopsgate Church-yard - -	106				
30	John Flower -	-	11, Threadneedle-street - -	107				
30	A. Kerr - -	-	30, Abchurch-lane - - -	108				
20	John Oliver -	×	2, Cloudesley-square Islington -	109				

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20	John Brinley - -		Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	110				
20	William Johnston	×	5, Shorter's-court Stock Exchange	111				
30	J. Orpwood -	×	3, Cumberland-street Hackney-rd.	112				
10	William Watts -	-	4, York-place Walworth - -	113				
30	William Dorrington	×	Auction Mart Coffee-house -	114	*See* 2,202.			
20	David C. Mucnen	×	1, Copthall Chambers Copthall-ct.	115				
20	Thomas Bensusan	×	58, Lombard-street - - -	116				
30	James Driscoll -	×	7, Clifton-street Finsbury - -	117				
20	Wm. Maule Mitchell	-	56, Basinghall-street - -	118				
20	G. C. Robinson -	×	24 Upper Clifton-street Finsbury	119				
40	John Newman -	-	Lloyd's - - - - -	120				
20	Henry Horneman	✓	26, Cornhill - - - -	121	Mr. Walter - -	✓(10)	10	
20	J. T. Clement -	✓	1, Fenchurch-street - - -	122	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓(10)	10	
50	Thos. Wm. Domford	-	Suffolk-lane - - - -	123				
50	John Follett -	✓	6, Austin-friars - - -	124	Recommended by Mr. Perkins.	✓(20)	20	
50	William Cory -	✓	New Barge-house Wharf - -	125	- ditto - ditto -	✓(30)	30	
50	C. T. Pharazyn -	✓	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	126	ditto, Mr. Phillpotts	✓(50)	50	
50	C. Culshaw -	✓	67, Mark-lane - - - - -	127	Recommended by Mr. Perkins.	✓(40)	40	
20	Benjamin Lance -	×	Rotunda Bank of England -	128				
30	Levin Josephs -	×	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	129				
30	John Welman -	-	51, Lime-street - - -	130				
20	T. Davis - -	×	3, Paradise-street Lambeth -	131				
(*25)✓ 100	G. B. Lonsdale -	✓	7, St. Helen's-place - - -	132	- - - - -	(25)	25	
50	Lieut.-colonel Aldred	✓	St. Omer - - - -	133	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓(50)	50	
50	Alex. M'Dougall, esq.	✓	46, Parliament-street - -	–	- ditto - ditto -	✓(50)	50	
25	John L. Walcott -	✓	Jamaica - - - - -	–	- ditto - ditto -	✓(25)	25	
To be 50 in lieu of 25.	Abm. H. Phillpotts	✓	3, Park-street Westminster -	–	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts, takes 25 more.	✓(50)	50	
30	Thomas Smith -	-	14, Angel-court Throgmorton-str.	134				
20	M. Smith - -	×	61, Westmoreland-place City-road	135				
20	Sarah Yates -	×	3, Bury-court St. Mary Axe -	136	(*Appears in the Directory.)			
20	William Viser -	-	4, Sambrook-court Basinghall-str.	137	Solicitor.			
35	James Railton -	×	56, Threadneedle-street - -	138				
10	J. Bannister -	-	5, Willow Cottages, Canonbury-square Islington.	139				
20	E. Lindo - -	×	2, South-place Dalston - -	140				
20	E. Keyte - -	×	20, High-street Shadwell - -	141				
30	J. H. Pellatt -	×	- ditto - - - -	142				
20	James Hook -	×	Nelson-terrace Stoke Newington	143				
20	Alexander Campbell	-	12, York-place Barnsbury-park Islington.	144				
20	William Townsend	-	23, St. Swithin's-lane - -	145				
20	J. S. Bargerbur -	×	3, Cinnamon-street Old Gravel-la.	146				
40	Octavus Crosley -	-	15, Angel-court - - -	147				
25	B. Anderson -	-	2, Grove-terrace Brompton -	148				
25	Francis W. Wright	×	17, Charles-street Blackfriars-road	149				
20	Richard Hunt -	-	224, High-street Borough - -	150				
40	W. W. White -	×	Sweeting's-rents Threadneedle-str.	151				
20✓ 100	Frederick Boucher	✓	18, Aldermanbury - - -	152	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	J. Benzaquen -	×	3, Bartholomew-lane - -	153				
20	William Cardozo -	×	St. Helen's-place - - -	154				
20	Philip Leigh -	×	90, Greenfield-street Commercial-road.	155	Or to care of J. Croucher, esquire, 25, St. Swithin's-lane.			
20	Vernon Prankerd	×	21, Castle-street Finsbury - -	156				
(*15)✓ 25	Thomas Deare -	✓	98, Guildford-street - - -	157	(*Edw. Deare, in Court Guide, surgeon)	✓(15) (15)	15 15	
20	D. Benzimo -	×	21, Clifton-street Finsbury -	158				
20	Robert Tabor Simpson	×	11, Clarendon-place Durham-st. East Hackney-road.	159				
25	John Fred. Acbon	-	12, Park-lane Piccadilly - -	160	An application to Mr. Twells was renewed 4th November.			
80	William Temple -	-	2, Surrey-square, Old Kent-road	161				
10	Richard Lowe -	-	37, Old Broad-street - -	162				
20	John Langley -	-	8, East-road City-road - -	163				
10	Robson Beilby -	✓	19, Colmore-row, Birmingham -	164	Known to Mr. Twells. Mr. T. sent prospectus.	(30)	30	

(* refer to No. 338.)

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[illegible]	[illegible]	Robert Deering	- -	Lockley's Welwyn, Herts - -	165	Address at Mr. B. B. Williams, 39, Lothbury.	(25)	25	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Edward Lambert	✓	3, Jewry-street Aldgate - -	166	Known to Mr. Borradaile; very respectable.	✓	[10]	Cancelled.
	20	George Thompson	✓	77, Leadenhall-street - -	167	Says he has property by Northfleet.	✓(20)	20	
	50	R. Smith	- ✓	1, New-court Bow-lane - -	168	Refers to Mr. Moxon	✓(10)	10	
10✓	20	L. Lechmere (W.G. 10)	✓	Winchester-house Old Broad-st.	169	- - - -	(10)	10	
	30	Joseph Amadio	- ×	118, St. John-street-road - -	170				
	50	John Breaby, jun.	×	Stoke Newington-common - -	171				
	25	R. F. Stratton	- -	Manley-cottage Kennington-com.	172				
	20	Henry Thurston	- ×	10, Finch-lane Cornhill - -	173	(*Appears in the Directory.)			
	50	J. H. Pagan	- ×	3, Spread Eagle-court Threadneedle-street.	174	- - (*ditto.)			
	30	Charles Davis	- ×	32, Alpha-cottages Lisson-grove	175				
	40	E. Matthews	- -	6 A, Cumberland-place New-rd.	176				
	2	William Henry Foreman		45, Leadenhall-street - -	177				
	25	William Marsden & Co.	×	3, Howford's-bdgs. Fenchurch-st.	178				
	10	Thomas Tatten	- -	93, Charlton-street New-road -	179				
10✓	10	J.[Taylor] Clarke Baker	✓	280, Oxford-street - - -	180	(* Partners, cheesemongers.)	(10)	10	
10✓	10	William Leach	- ✓	Ditto - ditto - - -	181		(10)	10	
15✓	20	John Strickland	- ✓	Newgate-market - - -	182	(*Wholesale cheesemo.)	(15)	15	
	10	M. Talton	- - ×	10, Henry-street Pentonville -	183				
	20	J. B. Jacob	- - ×	6, Crown-street Finsbury-square -	184				
	20	John Mansfield	- ×	4, George's-buildings Old-st. road	185				
	100	Henry James	- ✓	4, Old Broad-street - - -	186	Recommended by Mr. Walter, marked 50.	✓(20)	20	
	30	C. H. Ashley	- ✓	3, Suffolk-lane - - - -	187	- ditto - ditto	✓(10)	10	
	20	G. Attinson	- ✓	20, North-street Hackney - -	188	Holds shares in the Greenwich.	✓(10)	10	
5	10	Michael Kelly	- ✓	2, Charlotte-street Blackfriars-rd.	189	Refers to Mr. J. M. Hilles, Mark-lane.	(5)	5	
	30	G. Eaton	- - ✓	1, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	190	Recommended by Lieut. Brothers.	✓(20)	20	
	20	Francis Newcomb	-	78, Gracechurch-street - -	191				
	20	Thomas Clarke	- -	30, Cannon-street - - -	192				
	2	Robert Ash	- ×	5, Wellington-street Southwark -	193				
	30	Thomas H. Copeland	×	15 Trinity-ter Trinity-sq. Boro' -	194				
	20	T. Bonniworth	- ×	8, Great Leonard-street Finsbury	195				
	30	C. Peile	- - ×	81, Lisson-grove, New-road -	196				
	40	Alexander Mann	-	Peckham-grove, Camberwell -	197				
	100	Thomas Henry Parker	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	198	Recommended by Lieut. Brothers.	✓(70)	70	
[10 or]	20	Thomas Joyce	- -	Colonial Coffee-house, from Lyncombe-hill Bath.	199				
	30	N. Gooden	- -	10, Albany-cottages Albany-road Old Kent-road.	200				
	50	H. S. Mansell	- ×	3, Honduras-place Downham-rd. Kingsland-road.	201				
	10	John Webster	- -	16, Union-court Old-Broad-st. -	202				
	30	J. Muzio	- - ✓	Treasury, East India-house -	203	Good, J. Twells -	✓(20)	20	
	25	Courtney Johnson	×	3, Tyssen-terrace Dalston - -	204				
	20	C. S. Williams	- ×	5, St. John's-place Up. Holloway	205				
	5	Samuel Chew	- -	30, Wood-street Cheapside -	206				
	20	George Thomas	- -	13, Newington-causeway - -	207				
	50	William Manley	- ✓	15, Bishopsgate-street Within -	208	Recommended by Mr. Walter, marked 30.	✓ -	10	
	20	Thomas Smith	- ✓	126, Goswell-street - - -	209	Do. by H. English, esq. 37, New Broad-st.	✓	[5]	Cancelled.
	30	Frederick Cox	- -	85, Lombard-street - - -	210				
	20	J. Cole	- - ×	11, Angel-court Throgmorton-st.	211				
	30	John Strickland	- -	81, Gracechurch-street - -	212	(*Qy. cheesemonger.)			
	20	J. H. Popkin	- ✓	27, Providence row - - -	213	Says he has property near the line.	✓(20)	20	
	50	Paul Storr, jun.	- -	15, John-street Crutched-friars -	214				
	50	Thomas Graham	- ×	Levant house Helmet row Bishopsgate.	215				
	20	S. Pongerard	- ×	Exchange buildings So. Entrance	216				
	20	S. Hanley	- -	118, Wood-street Cheapside -	217				
	10	S. Ihler	- - ×	11, Portland-pl. New North-road	218				
	20	J. Reeves	- - -	11, Henry-street Pentonville -	219				
	20	Francis Rolfe	- -	35, Great Marlborough-street -	220	(*In Directory, a tailor.)			

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	20	Henry Lilwall - -		23, Old Jewry - - - -	221				
	20	Samuel Quilter -	×	1, Allerton-st. Hoxton New Town	222				
	20	P. Ponting -	×	52, Cambridge-st. Edgeware-rd.	223				
	20	Henry Fleetwood -		41, Great Portland-street - -	224				
	30	Barbara Diach -	×	3, Hemsley-terrace London-fields Hackney.	225				
	25	William Smith -	×	36, Ashford-street Hoxton -	226				
	30	C. W. Fryer -	×	85, Britannia-street City-road -	227				
	40	George Grant -	-	4, South-place Kennington-lane -	228				
10✓	20	J. Capadose -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	229	- - - -	(10)	10	
	10	Mary Williams -	×	126, Goswell-street - - -	230				
	25	Kenworthy Cooke	×	8, Houndsditch - - -	231				
	20	J. C. Jones - -	×	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	232				
	10	Thomas Ashworth	×	37, Mayfield-street Dalston -	233				
10✓	30	William Smethurst	✓	2, Knight's-pl. Wandsworth-road	234	- - - -	(10)	10	
	20	William Wallace -	-	35, Albany-street Regent's-park	235				
	20	Henry Cox -	×	124, Goswell-street - - -	236				
20✓	30	Benjamin Boyd -	✓	1, Darlington-place Vauxhall -	237	- - - -	(20)	20	
	20	James Cumine -	-	Strong's Farm Newington-green	238				
	40	W. Burnett -	×	15, Nutford-place Bryanstone-sq.	239				
	30	Abraham Franklin	✓	Manchester - - - -	240	- - - -	✓(10)	10	
	5	John Armstrong -	✓	Post-office Warrington - -	241	Post-master - -	✓ (5)	5	
	20	Nich. Germon, clerk	✓	St. Peter's Manchester - -	242	Refer to H. C. Morris, letter 26 October.	✓(20)	20	
	50	Geo. H. Geo. Jones	×	Subscription-room John's Coffee-house, Cornhill.	243				
	20	G. H. Todd -	×	Rotunda, Bank of England -	244				
	20	John Meyler -	×	2, Morgan's-place Liverpool-road Islington.	245				
	10	Richard H. Sharpe -		81, Wood-street - - - -	246	(* It appears to be a public-house.)			
	20	Thomas Clark -	-	53, Northampton-st. Clerkenwell	247				
[10]✓	100	C. Boucher -	-	7, West-square Southwark -	248	- - - -		10	
	50	E. Foxall & Co. -	×	3, Howford's-buildg. Fenchurch-st.	249				
	50	Christopher Prince	-	3, Union co. Old Broad-street -	250				
	15	James Clarke -	×	26, Derby-road Kingsland - -	251				
	20	William Woodward	×	39, Charlotte-street Whitechapel	252				
10✓	20	Alex. M'Math -	-	At Mr. A. Smith's, 1, Birchin-lane	253	- - - - -	(10)	10	
	20	James Sydney -	-	3, Backchurch-lane Charles-street Commercial-road.	254				
	30	Yrigoyti & Williams	×	Little Britain - - - -	255				
	50	John Jeffkins -		2, Palmer-terrace Holloway -	256	Recommended by Lt. Brothers, (wishes 50 more. *See* 998.)	✓(75)	75	
	50	Geo. Jeffkins -		10, Loraine-place ditto - -	257	Ditto - ditto (wishes 50 more. *See* 999.)	✓(75)	75	
	50	Thomas Thorne -		Newman's-court Cornhill - -	258	Ditto - ditto -	✓(50)	50	
[10 or]	15	Andrew Lane -	×	57, King's-square Goswell-road -	259				
	20	A. Nathan - -	✓	5, Bevis Marks - - - -	260				
	20	A. M. Belisario -	×	- Ditto - - - -	261				
	25	Richard Johnson	-	3, Copthall-buildings - -	262				
	20	J. Belilo - -	×	82, Leman-street Goodman's-fields	263				
	20	Richard Read -	✓	2, Red Bull-yard Up. Thames-st.	264	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓(10)	10	
	60	Charlotte Fayle -	✓	16, Aldermanbury - - -	265	Ditto - Mr. Walter -	✓(20)	20	
	50	Samuel Stammers	-	Subscribers'-room Lloyd's - -	266	Ditto - ditto -	✓(20)	20	
20✓	30	John Wilson -	-	Camberwell-grove - - -	267	- - - -	(20)	20	
20✓	50	Samuel Dutton -	-	31, Ludgate-hill - - -	268	(* A hatter here and Oxford-street.)	(20)	20	
	20	Thomas Hall -	-	33, Surrey-street Strand - -	269				
	8	Seth Coleman -	-	28, Berner's-street Oxford-street	270				
20✓	20	William S. Forster	-	8, Castle-alley Cornhill - -	271	- - - -		20	
	20	Henry Allen -	-	80, Blackman-street Southwark -	272				
	40	James Tyrrell -	-	52, Chester-street Kennington -	273				
	30	James Woods -	-	10, Regent-st. Vauxhall-bridge-road.	274				
	15	J. P. Cortissos -	-	Bell brewhouse Tottenham -	275				
	10	R. S. Watts -	-	10, Duke-street Southwark -	276				
30✓	50	J. Lyney - -	-	24, Birchin-lane - - -	277	Recommended by Capt. Anstice.	(20)	20	
	50	J. Clifford - -	×	Tom's Coffee-house Cornhill -	278				
	25	J. Delvalle - -	×	5, Craven-place Old Kent-road -	279				
	25	J. Y. Ackerman -	✓	Hanover-street Peckham - -	280	J. T. - - -	✓(20)	20	
	20	W. Marston -	×	22, Trinity-terrace Trinity-sq. Boro'	281				
	20	—— Broakes -	-	Regent-place City-road - -	282				

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30		Fraser Bloxam -	×	Mitcham Surrey - - -	283				
10 ✓ 20		John Clements -	-	21 & 22, Lit. Pulteney-st. Golden-sq.	284	(*Wholesale stationer)	(10)	10	
20		Benjamin Lay -	×	71, Whitechapel - - -	285				
20		Joseph Buck -	-	30, Rodney-street Pentonville -	286				
20		Thomas Hall -	-	8, Forster-lane - - - -	287				
30		G. A. Broad -	-	16, Hanscomb-pl. Low. Union-rd. Clapham road.	288				
25		Astley Cooper Key	-	2, City-road Finsbury - -	289				
100		Jas. Alex. De Riemer	✓	17, King-street Portman-square -	290	Refers to Colonel Utterton.	✓ (100)	100	
20		Thomas Salmon -	✓	4, Prince's-place Pimlico - -	291	I believe to be very respectable.—*R. L.*	✓ (5)	5	
20		Samuel Bickford	-	8, York-bdgs. Churchway St. Pancras	292				
10		Leatham Howard	-	Cannon street - - - -	293				
25		Robert Thompson	-	102, Blackfriar's-road - -	294				
20		Thomas Bailey -	✓	Doddington gro. Newington Surrey	295	Refers to Colonel Utterton.	✓ (20)	20	
40		A. J. W. Lyon -	✓	Hayle Consul-office, 6, Freeman's-court Cornhill.	296	These letters under one cover with one	✓ (40)	40	
40		W. T. Griffiths -	✓	5, Cambridge-st. Connaught-sq. -	297	addressed to Colonel	✓ (40)	40	
20		Robert Messer -	✓	Secretary to the Riv. Doce Co. -	298	Utterton.	✓ (20)	20	
50		Thomas Huntley	×	18, East-lane Bermondsey -	299	(*Tailor in Directory.)			
25 ✓ 100		Richard Taylor, esq.	✓	6, Waterloo-place Pall-mall -	300	Recommended by Dr. Rowe.	✓ (25) & (90)	25 90	
100		John Rowe -	✓	16, Change-alley - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (90)	90	
100		John R. Arnold, esq.	✓	Chigwell, Essex - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (90	90	
50		John Herepath -	✓	2, Upper Birds'-place Kensington	301	Secretary - -	✓ (25)	25	
25		A. H. Salom -	-	6, North Piazza Royal Exchange	302				
5 ✓ 10		T. Richards -	-	Sun Newspaper-office Strand -	303	- - - -	(5)	5	
20		F. Freshfield -	✓	20, Throgmorton-street - -	304	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
20		William Kenny -	✓	- ditto - - - -	305	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
20		Thomas Ryder -	-	42, Beech-street Barbican - -	306	(*Surgeon.)			
50		John Balbirnie -	✓	17, Cumming-street Pentonville -	307	(*Accounts, Robertson, Qy.)	✓ (15)	15	
30		Robert Lawson -	-	3, Bush-lane Cannon-street -	308				
20		George Wilson -	×	8, Forster-lane - - - -	309				
10 ✓ 30		Richard Willson -	✓	44, Newgate-street - - -	310	- - - -	(10)	10	
25		Richard Lawson -	×	7, Sherbourn-lane Lombard-street	311				
50		Henry W. Wood	✓	3, Austin-friars - - -	312	Refers to Mr. Borradaile	✓ (25)	25	
50		Thomas Harrison	✓	29, Austin-friars - - -	313	Refers to Mr. Borradaile and Colonel Utterton.	✓ (25)	25	
25		J. Maccarthy -	-	3, White Lion-ct. Throgmorton-st.	314				
40		Samuel Hopley -	-	28, Great Winchester-street -	315				
30		P. R. Power -	-	8, Arundel-street Strand - -	316				
25		Charles Mackensie	-	7, Lodge-place Regent's-park -	317				
10		Daniel Cartwright	✓	Loughborough - - - -	318	Check for 10*l.* inclosed	✓ (10)	10	
10		Rowland Unwin, esq.	✓	Bexhill, Battle, Sussex - -	319	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
20		William Burgh -	-	19, Lincoln's-inn-fields - -	320				
25 ✓ 50		John Westhead, esq.	-	Manchester - - - -	321	By p. TO. from H. C. Morris.	(25)	25	
10 ✓ 30		Benjamin Ridge -	[×]	64, Great Russell-st. Bloomsbury	322	- - - -	(10)	10	
15		F. Home - -	-	57, Thavie's-inn - - -	323				
20		John Logan -	-	20 Nelson-ter. Stoke Newington-rd.	324				
15		J. Natali - -	×	65, Tabernacle-walk City-road -	325				
30		James Dungey -	-	Glebe-cottage King's-road Chelsea	326				
30		N. H. Tonkin -	-	8, Bell-yard Gracechurch-street -	327				
20		George Dally Jones	×	John's Coffee-house Cornhill -	328				
10 ✓ 100		George Boucher -	-	Atlas Assurance-office - -	329	- - - -	(10)	10	
20		G. Park - -	-	21, Winchester-street Pentonville	330				
5 ✓ 5		Henry Asser -	[×]	59, Burlington-arcade - -	331	- - - -	(5)	5	
[10 or] 15		William Hirst -	×	N. and S. American Coffee-house	332				
30		Hy. Price, civil engineer		1, Warnford-ct. Throgmorton-st.	333				
10		Samuel Ashmore	×	7, Ivy-terrace Hoxton - -	334				
30		J. Jeffray -	×	18, Beaumont-square Mile-end -	335				
20		Martha Noble -	×	22, Brunswick-st. Hackney-road	336				
10		N. Rogers - -	×	19, North-place Kingsland-road -	337				
20		Robson Beilby -	✓	19, Colemore-row Birmingham -	338	(*Refer to No. 164.)	§		
5		George Moger, jun.	×	Bath - - - - -	339	- - - -	(5)	5	
3		William Blake -	-	6, Frederick-place Old Jewry -	340				
100		Samuel Lloyd -	×	- - - - - - -	341				
100		Richard Dawson	✓	Liverpool - - - -	342	These three ordered	§ (75)	75	
30		Benjamin Scott Riley	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	by Mr. Dawson, 21	§ (20	20	
50		Christopher Saltemarsh	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	October - -	§ (30)	30	

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	25	J. M. Ogden -	✓	Sunderland - - - -	343	(Wishes for 25 more. *See* No. 1131.)	§ (20)	20	
	10	Thomas Rutherford	×	111, Blackfriar's-road - -	344				
	30	Duncan Campbell	-	22, Crutched Friars - - -	345				
	20	W. Hatchwell -	×	20, Dorchester-st. New North-rd. Hoxton.	346				
	30	R. Perkins - -	✓	31, Cornhill - - - -	347	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (15)	15	
	25	Edward D. Boulter	×	2, Paradise-row Bethnall green -	348				
	20	John Jackson -	-	14, Dorset-cres. New North-road	349				
	30	James Nicholson -	✓	10, Charlotte-street Fitzroy-square	350	Recom[d] by Dan. Stephens, a friend of Sec.			
	20	Thomas Beesley -	-	118, Regent-street - - -	351				
	10	Charles Grillieres	-	23, Queen-street Westminster -	352				
	15	John M. Langhorne	✓	7, Burton-crescent - - -	353	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
	10	William Poore -	-	80, Basinghall-street - -	354				
	10	J. W. Welch -	-	35, New Broad-street - -	355				
	30	James Shaw -	-	2, Little Bush-lane - - -	356				
	20	John Hill - -	-	11, Jubilee-place, East - -	357				
	20	J. H. Cheltnam -	-	53, Great Tower-street - -	358				
10✓	25	James Smethurst	-	Brixton-road Surrey - -	359	- - - -	(10)	10	
	20	J. Samuel Jones	-	6, Cross-street Newington - -	360				
	25	J. Bushby - -	-	Bramley-park Bow - - -	361				
	20	P. Fama - -	-	16, Charlotte-street Blackfriars -	362	Desirous to pay the deposit at the time.			
	20	T. M. Aguilar -	×	New England Coffee-house -	363				
	20	David Aguilar -	×	Foreign Stock Exchange-office -	364				
	20	L. M. Belisario -	×	Wickham place Clapton - -	365				
	30	J. S. Campbell -	-	2, Duke-street Portland-place -	366				
	50	John Atkins -	✓	4, St. Mildred's-court - -	367	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (50)	50	
	20	G. H. Dutton -	✓	2, White Lion-court Cornhill -	368	Refer to the Secretary	✓ (5)	5	
10✓	20	John Humphryes	-	Cock and Lion Tavern St. Michael's-alley.	369	- - - -	(10)	10	
	40	Samuel Wilson -	✓	Canterbury - - - -	370	- - - -	§	[20]	Cancelled.
	25	John Rothwell -	✓	29, Weymouth-ter. Hackney-road	371	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (20)	20	
	20	Charles Williams	✓	Auction Mart Coffee-room -	372	- ditto - -	(10)	10	
(*25)✓	50	Thomas Buckland	§	10, Catherine-court Tower-hill -	373	- - - - -	(25)	25	
	20	William Mills -	×	5, Sandford's-la. Stoke Newington	374				
	30	P. Lawrence -	-	147, Fenchurch-street - -	375				
	20	Luis Castillo -	×	27, Green-Street Hackney -	376				
	20	William Carne -	-	46, Lime-street - - -	376*a*				
10✓	40	Thomas Smethurst	✓	Stockwell Surrey - - -	377	- - - -	(10)	10	
	100	James Cadett, esq.	✓	Care of W. H. Clapham, esq., solicitor. 29, Great Portland-street.	378	The friend of Richard Taylor, esq., and Dr. Rowe.	(90)	90	
20✓	100	George Mines -	-	At Messrs. Wells & Son, 40, Lothbury.	379	- - - -	(20)	20	
[15 to]	20	Charles Hay -	-	90, Royal Exchange - -	380				
	10	William Faircloth	-	29, Tokenhouse-yard - -	381				
	20	J. Haynes -	-	48, Chapel-street Pantonville -	382				
	20	William Constantine	×	8, Chapel-court Stock Exchange	383				
	25	Robert Topham -	×	9, Suffolk-st. New-rd. Whitechapel	384				
	40	W. R. Dyson -	×	17, Tower Royal - - -	385				
	50	Eff. Wilson -	✓	88, Royal Exchange - - -	386	(Wishes for 50 more. *See* No. 1589.)	✓ Sec.	[50]	Cancelled.
	50	Joseph Stephens -	×	10, Pereira-street Goswell-street	387				
	5	Wm. Henry Foreman	✓	59, Great Prescott-street - -	388	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (5)	5	
	3	Wm. Henry Foreman	✓	45, Leadenhall-street - -	389	- ditto - -	✓ (2)	2	
	20	Henry Willett -	×	27, Clifton-street North Finsbury	390				
	20	Eliza Harsant -	-	53, Tower-street - - -	391				
	20	William Clark -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	392	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (20)	20	
	50	George M. Greenwood	×	72, Freeschool-street Tooley-st. -	393				
	50	G. B. Skottorne -	×	5, Copthall-ct. Throgmorton-st. -	394				
	20	Richard Capner -	×	6, Bream's-bdgs. Chancery-lane -	395				
	20	George Atkins -	×	29, Penton-place Walworth -	396				
	50	Thos. E. B. Huntley	×	18, East-lane Bermondsey -	397				
	20	George Robinson	×	58, White Lion-street Pentonville	398				
	35	John Harrison -	×	16, White Lion-st. Norton Falgate	399				
	20	George Baker -	×	New York Tavern - - -	400				
	30	Daniel Smith -	×	16 & 17, Commercial-place Commercial-road.	401				

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	25	M. Brand - -	×	6, Clark-place Islington - -	403				
	10	Thomas S. Hall -	×	37, Cleveland-street - - -	404				
[20 or]	25	W. P. Barnard -	×	Blenheim-cottage St. Luke's Chelsea-road, Fulham.	405				
	25	J. H. Luard -	×	7, Cook's-court Carey-street -	406				
	30	John B. Langdon -		Eden-place Kentish-town - -	407				
10✓	20	Munden Hammond	§	27, Lombard-street - - -	408	- - - - -	(10)	10	
	5	J. C. Linwood - -		25, St. Swithin's-lane - -	409				
	10	Henry Tyler - -		67, Fore-street - - - -	410				
	20	John Strickland - -		8, Dock-head Bermondsey -	411				
	20	Thomas Lee Linford -		18, Great Winchester-street Old Broad-street.	412				
	20	F. Moorhouse -	×	1, Shorter's-court Throgmorton-st.	413				
	20	J. Fitzpatrick - -		22, Beaumont-square - -	414				
	20	Edward Johnson - -		3, Hales's-place South Lambeth	415				
[50]✓	100	J. L. Stevens - -		3, George-yard Lombard-street -	416	W. G. - - -	(50)	50	
(* *See* special list.)									
	20	Charles James Thick	×	Copthall-buildings - - -	417				
	20	Richard Hedges -	-	6, Cobourg-st. Corporation-lane Clerkenwell.	418				
	50	James Weemys - -		8. St. Swithin's-lane - - -	419				
	30	Henry Hills -	×	Chemical-works Battersea-fields -	420				
	20	Robert Sims -	✓	New Compton-street Clerkenwell	421	Colonel Landmann and secretary.			
	20	Alfred Foot -	×	14, Finch-lane Cornhill - -	422				
	40	G. Hill - -	-	4, Cleveland-place - - -	423				
	100	Wm. Elwand, jun.	✓	33, Great St. Helen's - -	424	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓(25)	25	
5✓	20	J. G. Anthony -	-	71, Cornhill - - - - -	425	- - - - -	(5)	5	
	20	H. Stocker - -	×	55, Lothbury - - - -	426				
	20	Richard Strugnell	×	2, Warren-street Camden-town -	427				
	30	John Lloyd -	×	20, Whitmore-road Hoxton -	428				
50✓	70	Thomas Hathway	✓	Cornhill - - - - - -	429	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓(50)	50	
	20	J. O. Brien -	✓	1, Canton-place East India-road	430	Inclosed in Mr. Hathway's application.	✓(10)	10	
5✓	20	Samuel Gowor -	-	Long-room Custom-house - -	431	- - - - -	(5)	5	
5✓	20	H. H. Browne -	-	- ditto - ditto - - -	432	- - - - -	(5)	5	
	30	John Taite - -	✓	228, Oxford-street - - -	433	Recommended by Mr. Walker.	✓(10)	10	
	20	R. Davis - -	×	Mr. Morris, 27, Poultry - -	434				
	20	George Willett -	-	25, Wood-street Cheapside -	435				
	50	Benjamin W. Poulton	×	3, Liverpool-street Walworth-road	436				
	10	William Carter, R.N.	-	42, Hendon-street Vauxhall-road	437				
	20	John Wright - -		9, Up. Montague-st. Montague-sq.	438				
	30	James Fitzgerald	×	201, Fleet-street - - -	439				
	30	Wm. Henry Evans	-	52, Vine-street Westminster -	440				
	20	John Stinton -	-	18, Throgmorton-street - -	441				
	30	James L. Johnston	-	Customs, West India Docks -	442				
	30	R. L. Burne -	✓	7, Belle-vue, Clifton, Bristol -	443	- - - - -	§ (20)	20	
	40	E. Hawes - -	✓	9, Victoria-place, Clifton, ditto -	444	- - - - -	§ (25)	25	
	5	Henry Farr -	✓	Thornbury Gloucestershire -	445	(Wishes for 10 shares more. *See* No. 1200).	§ (10)	10	
	10	Samuel Taylor -	✓	Liverpool - - - -	446	Ordered by Richard	§ (5)	5	
	30	Thomas Staverts -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	Dawson, 22d Oct.	§ (20)	20	
	10	George Batley -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	1835 - - -	§ (10)	10	
	300	Henry Cunliffe -	✓	Southampton - - - -	447	- - - -	§ (150)	150	
	10	Henry Charles Morris	✓	Manchester - - - -	448	(Wishes for 10 more. *See* No. 1489).	§ (10)	(10) (*10).	
	100	Herbert Hardie -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	*See* also 563 -	§ (75)	75	
	25	Charles James Julott	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	25	John Smith -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	10	James Stott -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	Ordered by H. C. Morris, 22d Oct. 1835.	§ (5)	5	
	10	James Elleray -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
	50	Henry Jacob -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	(Wishes 50 more. *See* No. 1489, 31 Oct).	§(25)	25	
	10	George John Morris	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	(Orders 20 more. *See* No. 928, 28 Oct.)	§ (15)	15	
	50	John Fernley -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ [20]	20	
	30	Jonathan Booth -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ [10]	10	
	15	William Stephens	✓	Prospect-house Reading - -	449	- - - -	§ [5]	5	
	60	Solomon Levy -	✓	Bristol - - - - -	450	Remitted check on Glynn & Co., 60 *l.*, 28 Oct.	§ [60]	60	
	20	Richard Hall -	×	193, Fleet-street - - -	451				

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5✓	10	J. Mills - - -		91, Aldersgate-street - - -	452	These are in addition; five shares deposit paid last year.	(5)	5	
	30	James Bell - -	×	4, Arthur-street East - -	453				
	100	J. T. Newport -	×	49, Davies-street Berkeley-square	454				
	20	S. Cunningham -	×	10, Great Portland-street - -	455				
	50	Charles Fraser -	-	John's Coffee-house - - -	456	Known to Mr. Horneman of the Greenwich.			
	20	R. Blackner -	-	Bonner's-hall Hackney - -	457				
20✓	40	C. W. Chapman -	§	25, Birchin-lane Cornhill - -	458	- - - -	(20)	20	
	20	G. Dunkley -	-	21, Manchester-bdgs. Cannon-row	459				
	20	Francis Townley -	-	15, St. Paul's-terrace Camden-town	460				
	25	J. Hirst - -	-	7, Sherbourn-lane - - -	461				
	30	W. R. Chamberlain	-	21, Surrey-grove Surrey-square Kent-road.	462				
	20	George Munro -	-	8, Cornhill - - - -	463				
	15	G. H. Hudson -	✓	23, Bucklersbury - - -	464	Solicitor to Mr. Pattison, Gov. of the Bank.	(15)	15	
[15 or]	20	H. Golding (H.M.S.)	×	11, Jubilee-pl. Commercial-road	465				
	25	Clans Sturcke -	✓	Virginia Coffee-house Newman-court.	466	Addressed to Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	20	
	5	Hermann Christo. Buse	✓	- ditto - ditto - - -	467	- ditto - -	✓ (2)	2	
	10	John Chapman -	-	16, Angel-court Throgmorton-st.	468				
	10	Wm. Smith -	-	1, Pope's Head-alley - - -	469				
	50	Daniel Edw. Stephens	✓	Chingford Essex - - -	470	Known to the secretary	✓ (5)	5	
	20	E. H. Millen -	×	Care of Mr. Smethurst, surgeon, Clapham Rise.	471				
	30	Benjamin Lambourn	×	3, Vere-street Oxford-street -	472				
	50	J. Allen - -	✓	14, Upper Gloucester-pl. Dorset square.	473	Refers to Col. Utterton and Capt. Page.	(50)	50	
	10	J. B. Christian -	-	5, Albion-bdgs. Bartholomew-close	474				
	20	Henry Allanson -	×	31, Castle-street Holborn - -	475				
	30	George Moorsom	-	18, Union-street Southwark -	476				
	5	Richard Enoch Evans	-	23, Chapel-street Pentonville -	477				
	10	Edward Putland -	-	6, White Hart-court Lombard-st.	478				
	20	Thomas Rake -	-	10, Duke-street London-bridge -	479				
	30	John Stephens -	-	6, Buckingham-street Strand -	480				
	50	John Marcus -	-	19, Leicester-square - - -	481				
	20	George Harris -	-	72, Broadwall Blackfriars - -	482				
5✓	20	Frederick Pike -	✓	77, High-street Borough - -	483	- - - -	(5)	5	
	20	James Blackman -	-	71, Broadwall Blackfriars - -	484				
	20	J. H. Harris -	-	Broadwall Blackfriars - -	485				
	50	R. Rodgers -	-	6, Barnsbury-terrace Liverpool-road Islington.	486				
	50	Wm. Birdsey -	✓	1, St. Michael's-alley Cornhill -	487	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	(30)	30	
10✓	100	Edward Ansted -	-	36, Gutter-lane Cheapside - -	488	*See* his letter, No 729	(10)	10	
	30	John Lee Hills -	-	1, St. Michael's-alley - -	489				
	50	John Rogers -	-	2, Catherine-street Stafford-street Pimlico.	490				
10✓	30	R. E. Sims - -	-	Long-room Custom-house - -	491	Related to the late city crier.	(10)	10	
	50	D. W. Harvey, esq. M.P.	✓	24, Great George-st. Westminster	492	- - - -	✓ (50)	50	
	10	Jos. Kendall -	✓	7, Capel-court Bartholomew-lane	493	Inclosed in Mr. Harvey's letter.	✓ (5)	5	
	20	W. S. Piercey -	-	15, Elder-street Spital-square	494	C. W. Chapman -			
[*5]✓	20	Joseph Bovill -	-	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	495	- - - -	(5)	5	
	20	John Bullock -	×	Rotunda, Bank - - -	496				
	20	H. Bullock - -	×	32, Bridport-place New North-road.	497				
	20	John Wilkins -	-	28, Great Winchester-street -	498				
	30	James Dyts -	-	32, College-street Chelsea - -	499				
	50	H. Rivers - -	-	2, Bethell-place Camberwell -	500				
	20	Benjamin Baxter -	-	28, Edward-street Blackfriars-road.	501	Says he holds shares in the London, Blackwall and other railways.	"		
	50	R. M. Bowman -	-	1, Abchurch-yard - - -	502				
	20	Thomas Sanders -	×	8, Walworth-terrace - - -	503				
	5	Woods Johnston, M.D.	-	4, Camden-street St. Pancras -	504				
	25	John Paterson -	-	8, Mincing-lane - - -	505				
	25	John Palmer -	-	13, Tokenhouse-yard - -	506				
5✓	20	John Pike - -	-	7, King's square Goswell-road -	507	- - - -	(5)	5	
5✓	20	R. W. Aldridge -	-	Long-room Custom-house - -	508	- - - -	(5)	5	
	15	H. Wm. Wood -	-	15, Tenter-row City-road - -	509				

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	20	Harvey & Co.	-	11, Coleman-street - - -	510				
	20	Robert Curtis	-	Albany-road Kent - - -	511				
	50	James Day -	×	Richmond Surrey - - -	512				
	50	Frans. Macminn, Captain		13, Cornhill - - - -	513	Recommended by J. Allen, esq. *See* 473.			
	40	A. H. Bailey	✓	83, Ditto - - - -	514	Marked J. L. Stevens	✓ (20)	20	
(*10) ✓	50	Charles Malton	-	2, New-court St. Swithin's-lane -	515	- - - - -	(10)	10	
	10	P. Kelly -	-	26, Wallbrook - - - -	516	A friend of Mr. Play-ford.			
	20	H. Playford	×	3, Bartholomew-lane - -	517				
40 ✓	50	Fred. Hammond	-	Commercial-chambers - -	518	- - - - -	(40)	40	
	50	William March	×	9, Liverpool-street - - -	519	A friend of Mr. Allen. *See* 473.			
	40	William Richardson	-	72, Mark-lane - - - -	520				
	30	Alexander Henry	-	21, Birchin-lane - - -	521				
	22	Benjamin Day	×	1, Monkwell-street Falcon-square	522				
	50	Francis Squires	-	26, Great St. Helen's Bishopsgate	523				
	20	E. H. Price	×	3, Charles-street Hackney - -	524				
	20	T. Cooper	✓	19, Brunswick-street Hackney-road.	525				
	20	Charles May	-	16, Threadneedle-street - -	526				
	20	L. Chapman	×	Southampton-st. Peckham-grove	527				
	20	H. Green -	×	22, Brunswick-st. Hackney-road	528				
	30	R. Wilson -	-	180, Fleet-street - - -	529				
	20	E. Hickman	×	16, Brunswick-street Hackney-road.	530				
	30	Miss Pugh -	×	28, Melton-place Euston-square	531				
	35	John Robinson	×	19, Tottenham-road Kingsland -	532				
	10	Wm. Thomas Walters	-	33, Old Jewry - - - -	533				
	20	William Godfree -	×	High-street Kingsland - -	534				
	20	John Coopere	×	66, Hackney-road - - -	535				
	50	John Macpherson	×	5, St. Michael's-alley Cornhill -	536				
	20	George Burgess	-	57, Cornhill - - - -	537				
	15	Joseph Bailey	✓	30, Southampton-street Strand -	538	Refers to Mr. Walter	✓ (5)	5	
[20 or]	30	J. Horne, civil engineer		74, London-wall - - -	539				
	10	James Bull -	×	2, Copthall-buildings - - -	540				
	25	John Honey	-	Queen's-arms tavern Cheapside -	541				
	250	Charles Richards	×	119, Fleet-street - - -	542	119 is the Kendal tavern.			
	10	W. Taylor -	-	11, Lombard-street - - -	543				
	25	Edward Chalmers	×	60, Elizabeth-st. Hackney-road -	544				
	25	James Chalmers	×	- ditto - - ditto - -	—				
	25	T. Thompson	×	Stanbrook-cottage New-rd. Turnham-green.	545				
	20	B. Witt	-	66, South-street Chelsea - -	546				
	30	Robert Jenkins	×	Trinity-arms Trinity-square -	547	(*Not known there.)			
	20	Rand. Blanckenhagen	✓	East India House - - -	548	Good; known to Mr. Twells.	✓ (15)	15	
	30	Charles E. Pownall	×	9, St. Michael's-alley Cornhill -	549				
5 ✓	20	James Brookman	-	10, Berner's-street Oxford-street	550	A friend of Mr. Allen. *See* 473.	(5)	5	
10 ✓	25	John Johnston	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	551	- - - -	(10)	10	
	10	E. Stephenson	-	12, Prince's square - - -	552				
	20	William Collett, esq.	-	19, Henrietta-street Cavendish-square.	552a				
	20	William Green, jun.	×	Northampton-tavern Bartholomew-square.	553				
10 ✓	20	J. C. Musgrave	-	Wincanton Bank - - -	554	- - - -	(10)	10	
5 ✓	10	W. H. Laud, ship-broker		Bristol - - - - -	555	- - - -	(5)	5	
	50	H. L. Hanley	-	Ely-place Holborn - - -	556				
	50	Edward Phillips	-	West of England South Wales District Bank, Bristol.	557				
	25	Thomas Clent, Custom-house agent.		7, Charlotte-street Queen-square Bristol.	558				
Altered to 100. *See* J. B.'s list	50	William Chaplin	✓	Sudbourn - - - -	559	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (100)	100	
	100	Richard Ferres	✓	Bristol - - - - -	560	(*Remitted 100) -	✓ (100)	100	
	50	B. J. Gardiner	×	Bedford-street Bedford-sq. Commercial-road.	561				
	50	Thos. Bold, esq.	✓	Liverpool - - - -	562	By order of Richard Dawson, 24 Oct.	§ (30)	30	
	100	Thos. Haigh, esq.	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—		§ (50)	50	
	100	James Byrn, esq.	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—		§ (50)	50	

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100	J. Cooke, calenderer ✓	Manchester - - - -	563	- - - -	§ (25)	25	
20	Thomas Parry - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
50	J. Proctor, Westhead ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
25	Joseph Higginbotham ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	(Orders 25 more. *See* No. 785. 27 Oct.)	§ (20)	20	
Letter return[d] 30	George Carruthers	Lancaster - - - -	—	- - § Paid. *See* 2321 -		[10]	
20	Thomas Dewhurst ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
10	Mrs. Mary Harding ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
50	J. Corn. Satterthwaite	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
25	Thomas Dunnington ✓	Manchester - - - -	—	Ordered by H. C. Morris. (Orders 25 more. *See* 785. 27 Oct.)	§ (20)	20	
30	Thomas Higson - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
25	John Wych - ✓	Ashton-under-Lyne - - -	—	(Orders 75 more. *See* No. 928. 28 Oct.)	§ (50)	50	
25	Richard Hughes - ✓	Manchester - - - -	—	J. Gwynne - -	§ (10)	10	
10	G. F. Pattison - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
15	Jasper Fletcher - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
20	Thomas Kay - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
50	L. Franklin - - ✓	Liverpool - - - -	—	- - - -	§		
200	Herbert Hardie - ✓	Manchester - - - -	—	In addition to the 100 shares. *See* 448.	§		
5	Edward Mendham ×	1, Red Lion-street Clerkenwell -	564				
30	Thomas Smith - ×	Wood Cottage Kender-street Old Kent-road.	565				
20	William Tipping - ×	151, Strand - - - -	566				
50	J. Estell - - ×	26, Raven-street Mile-end-road -	567				
30	Andrew Cohen -	Lloyd's Subscription-room -	568	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (20)	20	
20	Joseph Isaacs - ×	2 Draper's-buildings London-wall	569				
20	Henry Isaacs - ×	16, Newcastle-street Whitechapel	570				
20	John S. Isaacs - ×	- - - ditto - - - -	571				
20	J. Rowley - - ×	24, Crutched-friars - - -	572				
20	H. Jackson - - ×	21, Nelson-street City-road -	573				
20	F. Eskell and J. Isaacs ×	2, Osborne-pl. Brick-lane Whitechapel.	574				
50	Robert Hudson -	Clapham-common - - -	575	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (50)	50	
25	H. Modell - - ×	6, Peerless-place City-road -	576				
20	H. Belisario - ×	19, Bevis Marks - - -	577				
10	Michael Oppenheim ×	27, Mansel-street Goodman's-fields.	578				
(*10) ✓ 40	Thos. and Ed. White ✓	78, Mark-lane - - - -	579	- - - -	(10)	10	
40 ✓ 50	John Labouchere ✓	20, Birchin-lane - - -	580	- - - -	(40)	40	
20	H. Nathan - - -	17, Skinner-street Bishopsgate -	581				
20	J. Williams - ×	Auction-mart tavern - - -	582				
20	A. Padley - - -	3, Crosby-square - - -	583				
30	T. Whatcott - ×	Nursery-place Hackney-terrace -	584				
30	J. March - - ×	20, Surrey-grove Old Kent-road	585				
30	Thos. Turner - ×	147, Fenchurch-street - -	586				
20	Thos. Cowper - ×	34½, Compton-street Clerkenwell	587				
10	James Ogden - -	11, St. James Clerkenwell -	588				
20	C. Lockington - ×	42, Duke-street St. James - -	589				
3	Richard Yeman - ×	3, South-street Southampton-st. Pentonville.	590				
30	John Hallpike - ×	Dalston - - - - -	591	Supposed to be one of the cashiers of Bosanquet & Co., bankers.			
25	J. M. Lambert - ×	19, Hallerton-street Hoxton -	592				
20	J. H. Bailey - -	Lloyd's - - - - - -	593				
50 ✓ 200	George Meek - ✓	27, Cateaton-street - - -	594	Recommended by Mr. Robert Sutton, jun.	✓ (50)	50	
30 ✓ 100	M'Glen & Barker	77, Basinghall-street - - -	595	- - ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
20 ✓ 50	Arthur Wilton - -	33, Cornhill - - - -	596	The friend of Mr. Allen. *See* 473.	✓ (20)	20	
50	L. Dubuisson withdraws (*×)	Stock Exchange - - -	597				
30 ✓ 100	W. H. Maund - ✓	33, Cornhill - - - -	598	The friend of Mr. Allen. *See* 473.	✓ (30)	30	
10	H. W. Pearson - -	39, Carey-street Lincoln's-inn -	599				
15	John Anderson - -	2, St. Michael's-alley Cornhill -	600				
20	Silvester Harris - -	54, London-wall - - -	601				
40	S. Isaacs - - ×	6, Marlborough-st. Blackfriars-road.	602				

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100	William M. De Chaims [James Swabey, esq.]	✓	Thorn - - - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	§ (100)	100	William M. De Chaims.
30	Moses Abitbole -	×	12, Copthall-court - - -	604	Refers to Mr. Moxon and Mr. Sutton.	✓		
5	James Hull - -		40, Lothbury - - - - -	605				
30	P. Rutter - - -		35, Warwick-street Golden-square	606				
20	James Edw. White	×	50, London Wall - - - -	607	Prop. of the Imperial.			
20	John Markeson -	×	6, Elizabeth-terrace Liverpool-rd. Islington.	608				
50	George Symonds -		12, Chester-place Kennington -	609				
50	Fred. Borradaile, clk.	✓	Clapham Common - - -	610	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	(50)	50	
20	P. Agate - - -		8, John-street Oxford-street -	611				
15	James Rippon - -		31, Cursitor-street Lincoln's-inn	612				
20	Henry Elston Bristow -		22, - - ditto - - -	613				
20	Thomas Williams -		Lloyd's - - - - - -	614				
(*20) ✓ 100	William Walker - -		2, Up. Seymour-st. Connaught-terr.	615	Known to Col. Skerrett, and refers to Messrs. Barber & Son, Cowper's-court.	(20)	20	
25	T. Clere Smith - -		46, Cheyne-walk Chelsea - -	616				
20	J. W. Barnett - -		47, Wood-street Cheapside -	617				
10	B. L. Phillips -	×	10, Gould-square, Crutched-friars	618				
15	C. L. Phillips -	×	17, John-street - - ditto -	619				
25	Henry Burnand - -		Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	620	Highly respectable.			
15	Henry Trimmer -	[*×]	67, Farringdon-street - -	621	Known to the Secretary			
40	William Browne - -		11, New Broad-street - -	622				
10 ✓ 20	Lieut.-col. Mills -	-	Junior United Service Club -	623	- - - -	(10)	10	
25	Hubert Mortimer	✓	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - -	624	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (20)	20	
50	Augustus Finlayson	[*×]	Russell-tavern Covent-garden -	625				
30	Adam Adamson -	-	1, St. Martin's-pl. Charing-cross	626				
20	Alexander Phillips	-	435, West Strand - - -	627				
40	James Bowers -	-	23, Cockspur-street Charing-cross	628				
10	M. Dore - -	×	38, Gt. Cambridge-st. Hackney-rd.	629				
20	James Shillito -	×	16, Kingsland-row Dalston -	630				
50	H. Ansell - -	×	41, Leman-street Goodman's-fields	631				
20	Thomas Howlett -	×	2, Luke-street Finsbury - -	632				
[20 or] ✓ 25	A. J. W. Lyon -	-	Riv. Doce-office - - -	634	- - - -	(5)	5	
40	W. T. Griffiths	-	5, Cambridge-street Edgeware-rd.	–	A friend of Mr. Lyons			
50	E. G. Beckert -	×	20, Southampton-pl. Camberwell	635				
100	Thomas Loft -	✓	Epping - - - - - -	636	Letter addressed to Dr. Rowe.	✓ (90)	90	
25	David Law - -		47, Berner's-street - - -	637				
20	Lieut. C. Brand, R. N.	✓	Bath - - - - - -	638	- - - -	✓ (20)	20	
15	John Page - -	×	42, Threadneedle-street - -	639	(*A public-house.)			
20	Thomas Jamieson	×	Lizard-street City-road - -	640				
20	L. Benjamin -	×	5, Windsor-place Southwark -	641				
25	Thomas Hill -	×	66, Whitechapel-road - -	642				
10	J. S. Hill - -	-	40, Mark-lane - - - -	643				
10	Charles Storer -	×	Seymour-pl. Liverpool-rd. Islington	644				
20	John Brown -	×	Dowgate Coal-wharf Up. Thames-st.	645				
10 ✓ 30	Henry Leigh Hunt	-	Examiner-office Wellington-street	646	- - - -	-	[10]	Cancelled.
20	Ebenezer Major -	-	17, South-parade Chelsea - -	647				
20	J. Kerschner -	-	Clay-hill Enfield - - -	647a				
25	T. Allsop - -	-	280, Regent-street - - -	648	(*Milliner.)			
5	Solomon Asser -	+	9, Burlington-arcade - - -	649				
10 ✓ 50	William Coulton	✓	Surrey Cacal-house Old Kent-rd.	650	- - - -	(10)	10	
10	Richard Mills -	✓	66, High-street Camden Town -	651	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts. (Wishes for 60 more. *See* No. 1435.)	✓		
15	George Lavender	-	32, Charlotte-street Portland-place	652				
100	John Curtis -	-	Care of Messrs. Dixon & Co. Bankers	653				

* Andrew Mulholland, Belfast - - - - - - 25 shares.
Sinclair Kilburn Mulholland, ditto - - - - - - 25 —
John Mulholland, Liverpool - - - - - - 25 —
William Mulholland, ditto - - - - - - 25 —
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20	W. S. Morgan - -		13, Wellington-street Strand -	654				
20	R. Murray - - -		7, Cowper's-court Cornhill -	655				
Cancd [20 or] 25	L. Sykes - -	×	3, Ranelagh-street Pimlico -	656				
20	Geo. Solomon -	×	8, Primrose-street Bishopsgate -	657				
30	Thomas Habgood	✓	16, Hatton-garden - - -	658	In conjunction with Mr. Lewis, of Dartford, W. G., Secy. (Wishes for five more. *See* 1029 *a*.)	✓(20)	20	
10✓ 20	James Drew -	✓	Thomas-street Woolwich - -	659	- - - -	(10)	10	
20	T. Myles - -	×	2, Sweeting's-rents Cornhill -	660				
50	J. Tilleard - -	✓	Old Jewry - - - -	661	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓(25)	25	
50	G. J. Huson -	✓	34, Old Jewry - - - -	662	- - ditto - -	✓(25)	25	
25	J. F. Friebner -	×	4, Finch-lane Cornhill - -	663	(*Russia broker.)			
20	Philip Isaac -	×	56, Gt. Prescott-st. Goodman's-fds.	664				
50	James Chapman -	✓	Andover-place Camberwell-grove	665	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓(15)	15	
50	T. C. Meason -	✓	25, Francis-street Newington Butts	666	- - ditto - -	✓(10)	10	
50	John Capel Batho	✓	45, Houndsditch - - -	667	- - ditto - -	✓	10	
70	E. S. Green -	✓	147, Leadenhall-street - -	668	Refers to Mr. Phillpotts and Mr. Rob. Sutton	✓(70)	70	
10	James Atkinson - -		8, St. Mildred's-court - -	669				
10	John Carlisle -	×	5, London-terrace Hackney-road	670				
Cancd [20]	Thos. Charles Medwin	✓	6, St. Benet-place Gracechurch-st.	671	These three letters addressed to Mr. Vallance.	✓		
Cancd [20]	John Rood - -	✓	- - ditto - - -	672				
Cancd [20]	Henry Webb -	✓	Dulwich - - - - -	673				
200	James Swaby -	✓	(Wishes for 100 more. *See* No. 1123.)	673	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓(200)	200	
100	Mundeford Allen, esq.	✓	Chigwell-row Essex - - -	674	Recommended by Dr. Rowe.	✓(90)	90	
50	Mat. Allen, esq. M.D.	✓	High-beech Essex - - -	—	- - ditto - -	✓(50)	50	
100	William Adams, esq.	✓	Chigwell - - - - -	—	- - ditto - -	✓(90)	90	
10	John Gregson -	✓	67, Mark-lane - - - -	675	Recommended by Mr. C. Perkins.	✓(10)	10	
10	James Gregson -	✓	21, Suffolk-st. Commercial-rd. East	676	- - ditto - -	✓(10)	10	
50	H. W. Masterton	✓	Highbury-park, or North and South American Coffee-house.	677	A shareholder on the Greenwich, and recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓(20)	20	
20	T. Green - -	×	91, Aldersgate-street - -	678	Connected in the shares of Mills, No. 452.			
30	Edward Proudfoot -		12, Southampton-st. Grosvenor-sq.	679				
50	George Claridge -	-	26, Laurence-lane, Cheapside -	680				
40	T. J. Pearson -	-	11, Norfolk-st. Mile End Corner	681				
30	William Hay -	-	South-grove Peckham - -	682				
30	Aug. Toulmin -	-	Lloyd's - - - - -	683				
20	M. Gomes - -	×	34, Bishopsgate Without - -	684				
20	J. H. Belton -	×	13, Clift-street New North-road Hoxton.	685				
20	C. Clifford - -	-	18, Finsbury-street Finsbury-sq.	686				
40	William Hewitt -	×	160, Goswell-street - - -	687	Is ready to give a check on Jones, Lloyd & Co. for the deposit.			
100	William Gordon -	✓	7, Panton-square - - -	688	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓(100)	100	
50	Wm. M. De Charms	✓	144, Leadenhall-street - -	689	- - ditto - -	(50)	50	
20	Thomas Gilbert -	×	3, Gilbert-pl. George-row Bermondsey	690				
30	C. T. Kirkman -	-	41, Great Castle-street Oxford-st.	691				
25	J. Archer - -	✓	148, Holborn Bars - - -	692	Has property which will benefit.	✓(20)	20	
30	Richard Spence -	-	20, East-road City-road - -	693				
30	Thomas Arlington	×	8, Capel-court Bartholomew-lane	694				
20	Thomas Barker -	×	6, Shorter's-court Stock Exchange	695				
50	Thomas Huggins, jun.	×	Christ's Hospital - - -	696	Son of the Steward.			
20	M. L. Jackson -	-	22, Lewisham-lane Greenwich -	697				
10	Thomas Wilson -	-	42, Threadneedle-street - -	698	(*A public-house.)			
10	W. Mitchell -	×	7, Angel-court Throgmorton-street	699				
20	Henry Cooke -	-	4, Grove-street Holloway - -	700	Refers to Mr. Stokes, Stock Exchange.			
20	H. Brokinshir -	-	3, Copthall-buildings - -	701				
20	Morris Alexander	×	16, Newcastle-street Whitechapel	702				
50	George Bishop -	×	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - -	703				
15	William F. Halls -	×	22, Edmund-place, Aldersgate-st.	704				

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	20	Samuel Dawes -	×	117, Albany-street Regent's-park	705				
	25	R. Coombs -	×	133, Houndsditch - - -	706				
[10 or]	20	John Sallass -	×	Mount Pleasant-lane Up. Clapton	707				
	5	Cuthbert Romilly	✓	6, New-square, Lincoln's-inn -	708	A shareholder in the Greenwich.	✓ (5)	5	
	50	George Keeling -	✓	Manchester - - - - -	709	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
	20	James Sewell -	✓	- ditto - - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
	50	Jos. Wagstaff, esq.	✓	Warrington - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
	40	Samuel Hinde, esq.	×	Lancaster. (Cancelled has withdrawn.)	–	Ordered by H. C. Morris, 26 October.			
	20	Samuel Preston -	✓	- ditto - - - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
	20	Richard Blood -	✓	North Ann-street Birmingham -	710	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	15	George Harford -	✓	Chew Magna Somerset, near Bristol	711	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	30	Frederick Wm. Green	✓	Deans' Marsh Bristol - -	712	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	20	Hy. Johnstone Wylie	✓	Liverpool - - - -	713	- - - -	§ (15)	15	
	20	Robert Wilson -	✓	Brech-lane Everton, near Liverpool	–	- - - -	§ (15)	15	
	10	John Irlam -	✓	Liverpool - - - -	–	Ordered by Richard	§ (10)	10	
	20	Miss Mary Woodroffe	✓	Easton Stamford - - -	–	Dawson, 26 October.	§ (20)	20	
	20	William Thompson	✓	Liverpool - - - -	–	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	20	James Oddie -	✓	Liverpool - - - -	713	Ordered by Richard Dawson, 26 October.	§ (10)	10	
5✓	10	H. Rogers - -	✓	Consols-office Bank - - -	714	- - - -	(5)	5	
	30	Charles Abrams -	×	1, Storer-street Commercial-road	715				
	20	William Burton -	×	10, Throgmorton-street - -	716				
	20	John Pullen -	×	5, Serjeants'-inn Fleet-street -	717				
	30	William Railton -	×	Queen-street Islington - -	718				
[45 or]	50	Thomas Strother -	×	1, Ironmongers'-street City-road	719				
	30	William Nicholls -		13, Lawrence Pounteney-lane -	720				
	35	J. Priest - -	×	2, Lower Lambeth-marsh - -	721	Refers to Mr. Dudley Webb and Jas. Hill, Stock Exchange.			
	50	Charles Earith -	×	Earith & Son, 82, Goswell-street	722	Dyers.			
	20	James Hosegood -	×	17, College-street Tooley-street -	723				
	20	A. Price - -	×	Southville Cottages Stockwell -	724				
	40	A. E. Forty -	×	2, White Raven-row Whitechapel-road.	725				
	40	John Crook, junior	×	Clement's-inn Chambers Strand -	726				
	20	George Brown -	×	6, Shorter's-court Stock Exchange	727				
	30	J. B. Hardwick -	×	19, Buckingham-street Strand, North casement.	728				
		Edward Ansted wishes to withdraw his application for 100 shares.			729	*See* 488, and 25 shares in lieu.			
	30	John Spear -	✓	2, Prospect-place Kingsland -	730	A shareholder in the Greenwich.	✓ (15)	15	
	10	Richard Mills -	-	66, High-street Camden-town -	731	*See* Nos. 651 and 1435			
	20	James Cummins -	-	Strong's Cottage Newington-green Stoke Newington.	732				
	30	Henry Brown -	×	6, Shorter's-court - - -	733				
10✓	30	Dr. Spurgin -	✓	38, Guildford-street Russell-square	734	- - - -	(10)	10	
	50	T. Sylvester -	×	24, Brewer-street Golden-square	735				
	50	Thomas Griffin -	✓	126, Shoreditch - - -	736	Recommended by Lieut. Brothers.	✓ (50)	50	
	10	Ann Griffin -	✓	Wormhighton Banbury Oxfordshire.	–	These to be sent to Mr. Griffin's - -	✓ (10)	10	
	30	Thomas Garnham	×	Leadenhall-market - - -	737				
	20	Henry Alcock -	×	78, London-wall - - -	738				
	20	Charles Foster -	×	6, Maidstone-street Hackney-road	739				
[5 or]	10	William Wright, junior	×	6, Walbrook-pl. East-road City-rd.	740				
	50	Stephen Price -	✓	12, Tavistock-square - -	741	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, junior.	✓ (50)	50	
	50	Thomas Manning	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	742	- ditto - -	✓		
	10	George Robinson	✓	Throgmorton-street - - -	743	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	15	George Collard -	✓	Treasury East India House -	744	Very respectable, long known to R. L.	✓ (5)	5	
	15	William Sims -	✓	- - ditto - - -	745	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
	10	Thomas Fry, junior	-	77, Cannon-street - - -	746				
(*20)✓	20	J.W, Shaw (J.M. 20)	[✓]	15, Clarence-street Regent's-park	747	J. M. - - -	(20)	10	
	20	J. S. Ringer -	✓	No. 8, Bishopsgate Within -	748	Refers to Mr. Borradaile, friend of Mr. Rasch, junior.	✓		
	10	Arthur Rasch -	✓	- - ditto - - -	749	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
5✓	5	Peter Fred. Stocken	-	Messrs. Hammersleys, 69, Pall Mall.	750	- - - -	(5)	5	
	50	George Price -	×	16, New Union-street Moorfields	751				
	20	John Williams -	✓	Commercial-road West India Dks.	752	Refers to Mr. Borradaile.	✓		

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25	John Brooke -	×	36, Paradise-street Lambeth -	753				
30	William Hamilton	×	12, Paris-street Lambeth - -	754				
50	Daniel Melhado -	×	71, Guilford-street Russell-sq. -	755				
10	Daniel Sturdy -	✓	St. Ann's-road North Brixton- -	756	A shareholder in the Greenwich and Grand Western, recently purceased.	✓ (5)	5	
10	Wm. Thomas Woods	×	Albion-terrace Wandsworth-road	757	A friend of Daniel Sturdy, No. 756.			
10	A. Lenons - -	✓	102, Aldgate - - - - -	758	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (*Can't find him.)	5	
50	W. G. Bartley -	×	220, High Holborn - - -	759				
20	R. W. Marter -	×	19, Barnes-row High-st. Poplar -	760				
20	Thomas Barker -	-	18, Fenchurch street - -	761				
10	William Man -	✓	26, Cornhill - - - - -	762	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
50	C. J. Pownal, jun.	×	19, Throgmorton-street - -	763				
10	Leon Ancona -	×	3, Christopher-street Finsbury-sq.	764	- - - - -			
25	John Lucas -	×	2, Spencer-st. Goswell-st.-road -	765				
20	P. Pearse - -	-	6, Frederick's-place, Old Jewry -	766				
40	Gervose Wheeler	✓	28, Bartlett's-buildings - -	767	Refers to Mr. Twells, a proprietor in the Greenwich. *J. T.*	✓ (40)	40	
25	Frederick Ruston -		61, Mark-lane - - - - -	768				
10✓ 25	Robert Mushet -	-	Royal Mint - - - - -	769	- - - - -	(10)	10	
20	F. D. Lowe -	×	17, Crombies-row Commercial-rd.	770				
10	J. G. Van Weede	-	188, Bishopsgate-street without -	771				
20	M. Uzivilli - -	✓	1, Euston-square - -	772	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
50	Septimus Thomas Allen	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	773	Ditto Mr. Jas. Sutton	✓ (25)	25	
50	J. H. Arthur -	✓	38, Dowgate-hill - - -	774	Recommended by J. L. Stevens and Lieut. Brothers. The appropriation to be sent to Mr. S. Hill, Stock Exchange, who has orders to pay the doposit.	✓ (20)	20	
50	F. Fincher - -	✓	9, Upper Islington-terrace - -	775	Recommended by J. L. Stevens and Lieutenant Brothers. The appropriation is also to be sent as above.	(25)	25	
150	Richards, Wood & Co.	✓	117, Bishopsgate within - -	776	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (20)	20	
[5] 10	Alexander Watt -	✓	Levant House St. Helen's-place -	777				
5	Charles Yorke -	-	10, New Ormond-street - -	778				
20	George Bates -	✓	13, Euston-square - - -	779				
40	H. Porter - -	✓	United Service Club - - -	780				
20	J. Bartleman -	-	7, Milbank-street, Westminster -	781				
100	Charles Downes -	✓	Warwick-street Charing-cross -	782	Says he is a proprietor in the Greenwich.	✓ (20)	20	
50	Adolphus Pugh Johnson	✓	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - -	783	Refers to Mr. Phillpotts.	✓ (0)	50	
10	Thomas White -	-	Dowgate-wharf - - -	784				
25	Thos. Dunnington, Esq.	✓	Manchester, in addition to 25 -	785	*See* No. 563, together 50 shares.	§		
200	William Buckley, Esq.	✓	Ashton-under-Lyne - - -	–	Ordered by H. C. Morris, 27th Oct.	§ (50)	50	
300	Mrs. Eliz. Hardie	✓	Manchester - - - -	–		§ (75)	75	
25	Joseph Higginbottom	✓	- Ditto in addition to 25 -	–	*See* No. 563, together 50 shares.	§		
20	J. Emes, button-manufr.	✓	Birmingham - - - -	786		§ (10)	10	
10	Joseph Timinius, gent.	✓	Handsworth near Birmingham -	–	Ordered by Robson Beilby, 28 Oct.	§ (5)	5	
10	Joseph Lloyd Phelps	✓	At Messrs. Taylor & Lloyd's, do.	–		§ (5)	5	
10	Alfred Lawden, jewelr.	✓	Birmingham - - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
10	James Drake, stationer	✓	Ditto - - - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
20	William Miller -	✓	21, College-green Bristol - -	787		§ (20)	20	
10	A. T. J. Baker -	-	2, Birchin-lane - - -	788				
100	Thos. Hammond, Esq.	✓	Laytonstone-hall Wanstead -	789	In addition to 100 shares in Old Committee.	(80)	80	
15	Thomas Sothers -	-	At Mesrs. Forster & Whistler -	790				
10	J. Beardmore Mattison		13, Gray's-inn-square - -	791				
20	J. J. Tustin -	×	4, Galway-street City-road -	792				
10	M. Swainson -	×	3, Nag's-head-ct. Gracechurch-st.	793	Insurance agent.			
30	Charles Sloan -	-	48, Stafford-place, Pimlico -	794				
14	David Richards -	×	At Messrs. Edward Durham & Co., 3, Nag's-head-court.	795				
25	Henry Short -	✓	43, Oxford terrace Hyde-park -	796	Recommended by H. Horneman & W. G.	✓ (10)	10	
15	John Harwood -	-	8, Shaft-court Leadenhall-street -	797				

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	40	John Carr - - -		34 & 35 Cateaton-street - -	798				
	50	Philip Clarke -	×	10, Southwark-sq. Borough -	799				
	40	Elizabeth Clarke	×	- - - - ditto - - -	—				
2✓	2	T. W. Gerrard - -		27, Gracechurch-street - -	800	J. T.	(2)	2	
	5	James Hill - - -		5, Verulam-buildings Gray's-inn -	801				
	20	Thomas L. Jones	×	54, Jubilee-pl. Commercial-rd. East	802				
	25	Henry Hedges -	×	12, Little Marylebone-st. Maryleb.	803				
	10	Robert Hay - -		Duddridge House Stroud-water	804	The appropriation to be sent to 48, Park-st. Grosvenor-sq.			
	25	William Walker -	-	1, Lawrence Pountney-hill -	805				
	10	Frederick Smith -	✓	1, John-street, Cambridge-road -	806	Paid deposit 29 Oct. to W. G.	✓ (10)	10	
	100	Henry Thompson	×	20, Haydon-square, Minories -	807				
	10	Captain Harris -	✓	- - - - - - - -	808	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓ (10)	10	
	25	Joseph Barker -	-	4, Hayward's-place Grange-road Old Kent-road.	809				
	5	George Edlin -	-	1, Beckford-pl. Kennington-com.	810				
20	40	William Evill -	-	J. Schweppe & Co., 51, Berners st.	811	*	(20)	20	
	20	John Fletcher -	-	61, St. Paul's-churchyard - -	812	Haberdasher.			
	20	S. Brown - -	×	Anne's-place Hackney-road -	813				
	100	C. Wheeler -	×	St. Georges'-pl. St. George's East	814				
5✓	20	Thomas Todd -	-	Church-street Greenwich - -	815		(5)	5	
	25	William Rickard -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	816				
	20	J. Spencer - -	-	Lloyd's - - - - -	817				
	20	William Gresham	×	6, Mitre-street Aldgate - -	818				
	20	C. Lopes Jones -	×	Paradise-ter. Liverpool-rd. Isling.	819				
	10	Thomas Jones -	×	32, Blackman-street Borough -	820	Straw-hat manufacturer			
	100	John Harris, banker	✓	Plymouth - - - - -	821	Recommmend by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓ (75)	75	
	100	M. S. Soares -	✓	- - - - - - - -	822	- - ditto - -	✓ (75)	75	
✓20 R.S.V.	50	Ealand Alder -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	823	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	50	S. F. Stallard -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	824	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	150	J. J. Rolandson -	✓	6, New Broad-street - -	825	- - ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
10✓	20	S. Swift - -	✓	7, Grove-end-rd. St. John's-wood	826	- - - -	✓ (10)	10	
	10	Augustus Gaccon	-	9, Cadogan-st. Sloane-st. Chelsea	827				
	10	George Walker -	-	24, Ebury-street Pimlico - -	828				
	1 0	John Fielden -	-	Care of Mr. Eyken, 22, Change-al.	829				
	50	J. Hollingsworth -	-	2, Holloway-ter. Upper Holloway	830				
	10	Richard Knight -	✓	New York Coffee-house Cornhill	831	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (10)	10	
25	[100]	Augustus Filden -	✓	15, Henrietta-st. Cavendish-sq. -	832	Ditto Mr. Valence -	✓ (25)	25	
	6	James Taylor -	-	17, Cornhill - - - -	833				
	10	John Wettenhall -	×	13, Copthall-court - - -	834				
	100	Major W. W. Bampton	✓	United Service Club Junior -	835	Refers to Col. Skerrett, a shareholder in the Greenwich.	✓ (20)	20	
✓15	10	John Euston -	✓	10, Hart-street Mark-lane -	836	Recommended by the Secretary.	✓ (15)	15 10	Two letters
	20	George Notley -	✓	Terrace-house, Albany-rd. Kent-rd.	837	Ditto Mr. Walte -	✓ (10)	10	
	10	J. E. Puddick -	✓	35, Alfred-street Bedford-square	838	Ditto - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
	100	Charles Handley	✓	17, Downshire-hill Hampstead -	839	Has great influence at Maidstone and the county of Kent.	✓ (75)	75	
	12½	T. T. Smith, Esq.	✓	- - - - - - - -	840	In addition to his original shares, to make in all 25.	✓ (15)	15	
	25	Robert Wood	×[✓]	At Messrs. Turners & By, 18, Throgmorton-street.	841	Quære by Mr. Robert Sutton, jun.			
	20	Thomas Jones -	✓	79, High-street Whitechapel -	842	- - ditto - -			
	20	T. E. Battersell -	-	4, Finch-lane Cornhill - -	843				
	20	M. B. Sampson -	✓	Tulse-hill Surrey - - -	844	Referred by Mr. Atkins to Lt. Brothers.	✓ (15)	15	
	100	William Mount -	✓	John's Coffee-house Cornhill -	845	- - ditto - -	✓ (40)	40	
✓10	10	John Mayne -	✓	Union Club Trafalgar-square -	846	- - - -	✓ (10)	10	
10✓	25	Effingham Wilson, jun.	✓	88, Royal Exchange - - -	847	Green -	✓ (10)	10	
	20	James Wait -	×	14, Wood-street Spitalfields -	848				
	20	Christopher Cozens	-	14, Wharton-street Lloyd-square	849				
	100	John Richards -	✓	12, George-yard Lombard-street	850	Recommended by Mr. Walter, marked 50.	✓ (20)	2	
	20	James Chilton -	-	1, Fenchurch-street - - -	851				
With-drawn	20	John Hore - -	-	25, Cloudesley square Islington -	852	(*Is not this a son of the late Mr. Hore, 13, Copthall-court.)			

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30	Robert Da Silva	×	10, Swan-street Minories - -	853				
10	G. Robinson -	×	77, Cheapside - - - -	854				
50	G. J. L. Noble -	✓	6, New North-street Red Lion-square.	855	Refers to Mr. Walter; holds shares in Greenwich & Croydon	✓ -	[10]	Cancelled.
(*100) ✓ 200	J. A. T. Smyth - -		31, Mark-lane - - - - -	856	- - - - -	(100)	100	
10	John Wright -	✓	73, Nicholas-street New North-road Islington.	857	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (10)	10	
20	J. T. Clement -	✓	1, Fenchurch-street - - -	858	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓		
25	Francis Shipton - -		38, Ely-place Holborn - -	859				
5	George Pratt -	✓	106, Wood-street Cheapside -	860	Holds shares in the Greenwich.	✓ (5)	5	
50	M. A. Rose -	×	65, Trinity-square Borough -	861	Oil and colour merchant.			
15	Ann Leggett -	×	24, Brudenal-pl. New North-road	862				
5	George Mendham	×	1, Red Lion-street Clerkenwell -	863	Wine merchant.			
20	William Harriskine	×	18, Portugal-st. Lincoln's-inn-fids	864	Law stationer.			
20	Richard Pocock -	×	13, Belle Vue Cottages Albany-rd	865				
50	F. S. Tunder -	×	Baltic Coffee-house - - -	866				
20	Robert Tidswell -	×	28, Budge-row - - - -	867	Wine merchant.			
50	Frederick Smith -	×	3, Sherrard-street Golden-square	868	(*A coffee-shop.)			
150	William Lee -	✓	Bristol - - - - - -	869	- - - - -	§ (50)	50	
50	L. A. Noble -	×	Auction-mart Coffee-house -	870				
20	J. W. Humphry -	✓	37, Old Jewry - - - -	871	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (10)	10	
20	H. A. Belisario -	×	Bevis-marks - - - -	872				
5	W. T. Pater -	×	24, Brooksby-street Liverpool-rd	873				
5	R. Curtis - -	×	52, King's-square Goswell-road -	874				
50	William Baines -	×	2, Copthall-court - - -	875				
20	Matthew Holden	×	Dorking - - - - -	876	Coach proprietor.			
20	George Goldsmid	×	10½, Cushion-ct. Old Bond-street	877				
200	Thomas Ashton, jun.	✓	21, Lombard-street Chambers -	878	Refers to Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (20)	20	
5	S. Langstaff -	×	5, Little Newport-st. Leicester-sq.	879	Hosier.			
20	Thomas Gadsell -	×	White Lion-court Birchin-lane -	880	Bengal Arms, proprietor of.			
20	William Biss -	×	54, South Molton-st. Oxford-street	881				
30	William Bryan -	×	Auction-mart Coffee-house -	882				
20	Thomas Smyth -	-	15, Duke-street Grosvenor-square	883	Grocer.			
20	J. Stayner - -	×	68, Lower Thames-street - -	884				
20	Frederick (*Ridley)	×	17, Little Tower-street - -	885				
20	S. Hinde - -	×	10, Symond's-inn Chancery-lane	886				
50	William Sth Amies	×	11, Abchurch-lane - - -	887				
20	S. Carter - -	×	Jamaica Coffee-house - -	888	Recommended by W. Green.			
Cancel[d] 30	Aaron Joseph -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	889	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ Can[d]		
100	Alfred Cutting -	✓	New-court Broad-street - -	890	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓ (25)	25	
25	Joseph Williams -	×	67, Threadneedle-street - -	891	Gunmaker.			
50	W. Holman -	×	24, Peckham-grove - - -	892	Recommended by the Secretary; appropriation to be sent Mr. Hathway.			
50	John Scanborough	×	50, Bow-lane - - - - -	893	Recommended by Mr. Smith, Bow-lane.			
[50] ✓ (20) 100	John Wade -	✓	4, York-terrace, Camberwell New-road.	894	Recommended by the Secretary.	✓ (20)	(20)	
Canc[d] [20]	Gilbert Stephens	✓	13, Doughty-street - - -	895	Solicitor.	✓		
50	H. Kent - -	×	7, Lawrence-lane - - -	896	Recommended by Mr. Smith, New-court Bow-lane.			
30	John Hoskins -	×	6, Surrey-square - - -	897				
20	Henry Rochas -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	898		" "		
20	Francis Pellatt -	-	5, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	899				
15	Thos. Bell, ordered by Charles Stephenson, Moseley, Birmingham.		4, Nag's Head-court Gracechurch-street.	900	(*No. 4 is a public-house)			
10	William Smith - -		1, Skinner's-place Size-lane -	901				
10	W. D. Keogh -	×	12, Grove-ter. St. John's Wood -	902				
10 ✓ 30	James Thompson -		Consol's Office - - - -	903	- - - -	(10)	10	
30	John James Pater -		42, King-st. ter. New North-rd -	904				
10	James Rogers -	×	19, North-place Kingsland-road	905				
10 ✓ 25	D. F. Ryan - -		Excise-office - - - -	906	- - - -	(10)	10	

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	10	Charles Bamfield	×	16, Angel-court Throgmorton-st.	907	Bootmaker.			
	15	William Jones -	×	12, Anderson's-bdgs City road -	908				
✓ 50	100	John Blunt - -	✓	London-dock-house - - -	909	Refers to Messrs. Borrodaile, Moxon, Perkins and Secretary.	✓ (50)	50	
✓ 25	50	William Nicholson	✓	7, Token-house-yard - -	910	Recommended by Mr. Blunt.	✓ (25)	25	
	20	Samuel Stone -	✓	24, Austin Friars - - -	911	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓ (10)	10	
	50	Nathaniel Clark -	✓	72, Gracechurch-street - -	912	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓	[25]	Cancelled.
	50	J. Cummins -	×	Baltic Coffee-house - - -	913				
	30	G. Hills - -	×	1, St. Michael's-alley Cornhill -	914				
	30	H. Bradshaw, R. N.	-	16, York-ter. Camberwell New-rd.	915				
	40	M. and S. Jacobs	×	19, Great Alie-st. Goodman's-fields	916	(* J. E. Jacobs, 19, Alie-street.)			
	5	Charles Davis, butler	-	Sir John Osborn, bart., Earl's court Brompton.	917				
	25	H. Cartwright -	×	37, Hill-street Walworth -	918				
25 ✓	100	Ewart and Bell -	✓	2, Shorter's-court - -	919	R. S. - - -	✓ (25)	25	
	20	Henry Bunn -	×	20, Northampton-square - -	920				
	50	W. Crozier -	×	Lombard-street Chambers - -	921	Central America, Co. Offices.			
[10 or]	15	R. Gibson - -	×	7, Clarence-terrace Haggerstone	922				
	20	George Stephen	×	11, Dover-street Piccadilly -	923	(*In the Court Guide.)			
	10	Edw. Charlton Pryer	✓	10, Loraine-place Holloway -	924	A friend of Mr. Geo. Jeffkins, and recommended by Lieut. Brothers; the appropriation to be enclosed with Mr. Jeffkins.	✓ (10)	10	
	5	John Brine -	✓	Blandford Dorset - - -	925	(Sent an order for deposit, 5 *l.*, on John Hinxman, esq., 72, Great Russell-st.)	(5)	5	
	20	O. Staite - -	✓	Bristol - - - - -	926	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
	10	T. Underwood, esq.	✓	Manchester - - - -	927	Ordered by H. C. Morris, 28th Oct.	§	[5]	Cancelled.
	10	Jos. Underwood, esq.	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
	10	Ann Cavanagh, spinster	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	In addition to 25, *see* No. 563. Ordered by H.C. Morris, 28th Oct. In addition to 10, *see* No. 448.	§ (5)	5	
	10	Benjamin Winder	✓	- ditto - - - - -	928		§ (5)	5	
	75	John Wych -	✓	Ashton-under-Lyne - - -	–				
	300	James Hardie, esq.	✓	Manchester - - - -	–		§ (75)	75	
	20	George John Morris	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–				
	10	John Harris, gent.	✓	Handsworth, near Birmingham -	929	Ordered by R. Beilby, 28 Nov.	(5)	5	
	10	Mary Ann Short	✓	- - - - ditto - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
	10	Benjamin Gill, gent.	✓	- - - - ditto - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
25	100	[Daniel Alster,] Mr. Stone's friend.	×	[John's Coffee-house] - -	930	Refers to Mr. Robert Sutton, jun.	✓ (25)	25	
	40	William Burnet -	×	104, Seymour-street Euston-sqr.	931	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (10)	10	
	30	E. Adams - -	✓	Queen's-row Walworth - -	932	- - ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
	20	George Emerson	-	Cold Harbour-lane Camberwell -	933				
	5	Thomas Dunman	✓	4, Shorter's-court Throgmorton-street.	934	In addition to 5, an original subscription.	✓ (5)	5	
	10	George Barber -	×	10, Great Chapel st. Westminster	935				
	50	Lewis Polter -	×	16, Frederick-st. Connaught-sqr.	936				
	20	John Priest -	×	Chapel-place South Audley-street	937				
	20	Raymond Cripps -	✓	Cirencester - - - -	938	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, the answer to be sent J. Twells & Son, 40, Lothbury.	✓ (20)	20	
	10	Henry Harris -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	939	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	15	Henry Poynton -	×	3, Leathersellers-bdgs. Lond. Wall	940				
[5 or]	10	Thomas Warrington, jun.		2, Clifton-street North Finsbury	941				
	20	Thomas Eldred -	✓	21, Fore street - - - -	942	Recommended by Mr. Twells (to have five more, *see* 1,107.)	(20)	20	
	200	PintoUrquhart & Perez	✓	36, Crutched Friars - - -	943	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile and Mr. Perkins.	✓ (100)	100	
	40	Charles Anderson	×	15, Wellington-street Southwark	944				
	30	William Wardell -	×	109, Goswell-street - - -	945				
	30	Harry Gunson -	×	29, Henrietta-st. Brunswick-sqr.	946				

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20	William Marshall	×	58, Gloucester-st. Commercial-rd.	948				
50	William Willmot	×	248, Regent-street - - -	949				
40	Charles Samuel -	×	87, Upper East Smithfield - -	950				
40	Moses Nathans -	×	193, Ratcliffe Highway - -	951				
50	Thomas Griffin -	✓	196, Shoreditch - - -	952	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓(50)	50	
25	W. R. Dyson -	×	17, Tower Royal - - -	953	Stationer & bookseller			
50	Roger Wood -	×	Crooms-hill Greenwich - -	954				
25	Henry Hill - -	×	Newington-green - - -	955				
25	John Thyeene -	×	39, Bridport-pl. New North-road	956				
2	Michael Walker, esq. -		Oxford Parade Cheltenham -	957	Send to E. Thodey Bond-court house.			
15	H. White - -	×	27, Bury-street St. James's -	958				
5	Charles Fenn -	×	42 Park-street Islington - -	959				
10✓ 20	J. R. Ward -	✓	Accountant's Drawing-office Bank	960	- - - -	(10)	10	
100	C. G. Nars Perres	×	28, Coleman-street - - -	961	Conclude to be Gower Nephews.			
40	T. Grane - -	×	8, Falcon-square - - -	962				
10	G. T. Skinner -	×	4, Saville-row Mile end - -	963				
10✓ 30	James Roach -	✓	Interior Consol's-office Bank -	964	- - - -	(10)	10	
50	J. W. Figgins -	×	5, Love-lane Aldermanbury -	965				
10	R. H. Goddard -	-	35, Cateaton-street - - -	966				
20	C. L. Phillips -	✓	17, John-street Crutched Friars -	967	Respectable. W. Borradaile.	✓(10)	10	
20	Thomas Davy -	×	Mr. Churchill's, 5, Barrett-grove Stoke Newington - - -	968				
10	Robert Young -	×	5, North-street Pentonville -	969	Recommended by C. Willson, Stock Exchange.			
5	G. J. Bennett -	×	42, Torrington-square - -	970				
20	Robert Caldicott	✓	9, Wood-street Cheapside - -	971	Respectable. W. Borradaile.	✓(10)	10	
15	John Dunn -	✓	52, Tower-street - - -	972	Recommended by J. A. T. Smyth.	✓(10)	10	
10	George John Blake	✓	11, Mark-lane - - - -	973	ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
10	William John Donald	×	54. Myddleton-square - -	974				
[15 or] 20	D. Vesey - -	×	Commercial Coffee-room Mincing-lane - - - -	975				
15	Thomas Hart -	×	10, Hide-street Bloomsbury -	976				
5	John Hart - -	×	- - ditto - - - -	—				
10	Henry Cottie -	×	13, Crawford-street Marylebone -	977	Wishes for 10 more. *See* No. 1735.			
50	John Shooling -	×	9, Stepney-green Mile-end-road -	978	Brought the money and wished to pay deposit.			
10	George Allender	✓	135, High-street Whitechapel	979	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile at the request of Mr. Greenaway.	✓ (5)	5	
20	Stephen Plimpton	×	1, Queen's Head-lane Lower-road Islington.	980				
25	Jos. Zamiara -	×	33, Haydon-street Minories -	981				
25	Mrs. P. Shipton -	✓	Watford Herts - - - -	982	Answer to be sent Mrs. S., 38, Ely-place.	§ (5)	[5]	Cancelled (since paid.)
25	John Williams -	×	Lordship-road Stoke Newington	983	C. W. Chapman.			
25	D. Benjamin -	×	25, Little Alie-street -	984				
30	J. Knowles -	×	9, Lyon-terrace Maida-hill -	985				
20	James Watt -	×	4, Wynyatt-street St. John's-road	986				
25	Ezekiel Baker -	×	24, Whitechapel-road - -	987	Gun maker to the King.			
50	John Shewill -	✓	33, Throgmorton-street - -	988	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓(25)	25	
50	J. M. Pitta - -	✓	5, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	989	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun., and Mr. Andrew Cohen.	✓		
100	Edward Owen (Rev.)	✓	At No. 7, Castle-al. R. Exchange	990	- - - ditto - -	✓(25)	25	
100	John Wilkin -	✓	10, Spring-gardens - - -	991	- - - -	(80)	80	
100	James Wilkin -	✓	- - ditto - - - -	—	- - - -	(80)	80	
100	John Bewsher -	✓	59, Lombard-street - - -	—	- - - -	(60)	60	
100	B. G. Snow, esq. -	✓	Highgate - - - - -	—	- - - -	80)	80	
100	Peter D. Snow, esq.	✓	- ditto - - - - - -	—	By Mr. Twells -	(80)	80	
100	Miss Henrietta Snow		- ditto - - - - - -	—	- - - -	(80)	80	
50	Lieut.-Col. Leith Hay, M. P.	✓	29, Eaton-square - - -	—	- - - -	✓		
200	M. Attwood, esq., M.P.	✓	- - - - - - -	—	- - -	(200)	200	

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	20	J. S. Davies -	✓	27, Gracechurch-street - -	991	- - - -	(15)	15	
	20	Frederick Dansey	✓	- ditto - - - -	—	- - - -	(15)	15	
	10	Miss Mary Dansey	✓	- ditto - - - -	—	By M. Twells - -	(10)	10	
	10	Thomas Holt -	✓	- ditto - - - -	—	- - - -	(10)	10	
	50	Philip Twells, esq.	✓	Lincoln's-inn - - - -	—	- - - -	(50)	50	
	50	Walter P. Kelly -	✓	17, Wellington-road St. John's-wood.	992	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (20)	20	
	100	George Gibson -	✓	72, Basinghall-street - -	993	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	50	Charles Edmonds	✓	Change-alley - - - -	994	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
10✓	25	Robert C. Williams	✓	Tollington-park Hornsey - -	995	- - - -	(10)	10	
	50	J. Jones - -	×	4, Hackney-rd. near Shoreditch ch.	996				
[50 or]	60	Aguirre, Solarte and Murrietta.	×	8, Old Jewry - - - -	997				
	50	John Jeffkins -	✓	Palmer-terrace Holloway -	998	In addition to 50. *See* No. 256.)	✓		
	50	George Jeffkins -	✓	10, Loraine-place Holloway -	999	In addition to 50. *See* No. 257.)	✓		
	20	James Townsend	✓	24, Cornhill, Deptford-pier Office	1000	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile and the Secretary.	✓ (10)	10	
	20	George Tindall -	×	20, Lloyd-square Pentonville -	1001				
	20	Edward Garland -	×	29, Lloyd-square Pentonville -	1002				
	20	M. Butler - -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1003				
	15	F. Hughes - -	×	1, River-terrace Islington - -	1004				
	40	H. Hendricks -	×	2, Copthall Chambers - -	1005				
	20	George Keele -	-	Excise-office - - - -	—	Mr. Hendricks will pay deposit.			
[10]	10	T. W. Jeffcott -	✓	Accountant-general's Office, 1, Tanfield-court.	1006	An original subscriber.—W. G.	✓ (5)	5	
	50	Henry English -	✓	37, New Broad-street - -	1007	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (30)	30	
	15	George Morgan -	✓	- ditto - - - -	1008	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	30	John ——— -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1009	- ditto - -	✓		
	40	Jos. Windle -	-	John-street, America-square -	1010				
	40	Samuel Overall -	-	102, Lower Thames-street - -	1011	Fish-factor.			
	20	J. Thurp - -	✓	Brown's-lane Spital-fields - -	1012	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (20)	20	
	40	F. Edwards -	✓	73, Lombard-street - - -	1013	73 is Bosanquet, Pitt & Co., refers to Col. Utterton.	✓ (40)	40	
	30	A. P. Green -	✓	3, New-court Broad-street -	1014	Refers to Colonel Utterton.	✓ (30)	30	
	15	William Bird -	✓	3, Greville-street Hatton-garden	1015	Mr. Bird held 10 originally, and wishes to extend them to 20 in the new company.	✓ (10)	10	
	20	Jos. Sanders -	×	5, Little Pulteney-street Golden-square.	1016	Applied for by Mr. R. Caldicott.			
	40	Henry Ripsher -	×	4, Castle-street Leicester-square	1017				
	100	Thomas Nash -	×	25, Thavies-inn - - -	1018	Known to Mr. Currie, Mr. Masterman and Sir Charles Price.			
	5	Hugh Morgan -	-	75, Borough - - - -	1019				
	5	Samuel Andrews -	×	17, Upper York-street, Bryanston-square.	1020				
30	100	Josiah Wilson -	✓	27, Cateaton-street - - -	1021	A proprietor of the Greenwich; refer to Mr. Meek. *See* 594.	✓ (30)	30	
	20	D. Scott, jun. -	-	51, Lombard-street - - -	1022				
	32	H. Darnton -	✓	Exchange-chambers S. entrance	1023	Recommended by Mr. Walter; special.	✓ (20)	20	
	25	Jonathan Barton -	✓	10, St. Swithen's-lane - -	1024	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	50	Thomas Ferguson	✓	Mill-wall Poplar - - -	1025	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	25	John Bragg -	✓	6, Throgmorton-street - -	1026	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	30	P. Anderson -	✓	- ditto - - - -	1027	- ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
	100	Thomas Widder -	✓	35, New Broad-street - -	1028	- ditto - -	✓	20	
	100	Frederick Widder	✓	- ditto - - - -	1029	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	5	Thomas Habgood	×	16, Hatton-garden - - -	1029*a*	In addition to 30. *See* No. 658.			
	50	L. M. Simons	✓	80, Old Broad street - -	1030	An original subscriber	✓ (30)	30	
	20	Matthew Coston -	×	Rotunda Bank - - - -	1031				
	20	Samuel Carr -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1032				
	30	William Old -	×	Auction-mart Coffee-house -	1033				
	50	G. Nands -	×	13, Watney-street Commercial-road.	1034				

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10✓	20	Sir. J. M. Tylden, a proprietor of the Greenwh.	- - - - - -	1035	- - - -	(10)	10	
10✓	20	Miss F. Shipton, ditto -	- - - - - -	—	Ordered by Thomas Francis, Stock Exchange, 1035.	(10)	10	
10✓	20	William D. Francis -	- - - - - -	—		(10)	10	
10✓	20	Thomas Goddin - -	- - - - - -	—		(10)	10	
10✓	20	Thomas Francis - -	- - - - - -	—	- - - -	(10)	10	
	40	Decimus Crosby - -	Grove-lane Camberwell - -	1036				
	10	John Walburn - ×	3, East Smithfield - - -	1037				
	50	Henry Morgan - -	York-buildings Regent's-park -	1038				
	25	T. Taylor - - -	8, Water-lane Tower street -	1039				
	25	Wm. Borradaile, jun. ✓	20, King's Arms-yard - -	1040	William Green, secretary.	✓(25)	25	
	40	A. Emerson - -	Cold Harbour-lane Camberwell -	1041				
	50	F. Eilvart - - ✓	64, Seymour-street Euston-square	1042	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓(20)	[50]	Altered to 20.
	30	Christopher Alderson -	10, Queen's-row Walworth -	1043				
5✓	10	James Lawson - ✓	Dividend Pay-office Bank - -	1044	- - - -	- -	[5]	Cancelled.
15 R.S., jun. ✓	50	D. Alex. Rougemont ✓	Lloyd's - - - - -	1045	- - - -	(15)	15	
	20	J. Brookes - - ×	5, Berkeley-court Clerkenwell -	1046				
	40	Charles Munro - ×	3, Tullock-terrace Pimlico -	1047				
	30	Samuel W. Nathan ×	9, Bury-court St. Mary-Axe -	1048				
[1]	35	J. Wiggins - ×	Gravesend Post-office - -	1049				
	20	T. Hodsoll - ×	8, Garnault-place Wilmington-sq.	1050				
	25	Charles Dowell - ✓	13, King-street Cheapside - -	1051	J. Y. A. - - -	✓(15)	15	
(Macknim)	50	Thomas Cook - ×	11, Mansion-house-street - -	1052	- - - -	(50)	50	
(*10)✓	100	L. Dexter - - §	7, Finsbury-square - - -	1053	B. B. Williams, esq., Lothbury, is to pay deposit.	(10)	10	
(*10)✓	20	Edward Rivaz - §	Lloyd's - - - - -	1054	- - - -	(10)	10	
50✓	100	B. B. Williams - -	Stock Exchange - - -	1055	His bankers, Glyn, Mills & Co.	(50)	50	
	100	Joseph Hernet - -	50, Tavistock-square - - -	1056				
	50	M. Wheeler - ×	28, Leadenhall-street - -	1057				
	30	P. Russian - - ×	Bank Coffee-house - - -	1058				
	35	George Abbott - -	24, Upper Norton-st. Portland pl.	1059				
	25	[S. P. Richman] J. K. Hardy. ✓	11, George-yard Lombard-street	1060	Recommended by G. Walter, esq., 44, Manor-place, Walworth.	✓ -	10	
	50	J. Innes - - -	12, Pancras-lane Cheapside -	1061				
	20	Thomas Greenaway ✓	38, Bishopsgate-street Within -	1062	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓(10)	10	
	50	John Tyler - - -	11, Cross-lane St. Mary-at-hill -	1063				
	200	Henry Kingscote ✓	Bank-buildings - - - -	1064	Mr. Moxon (takes 200 more, *see* No. 1246.)	✓(200)	200	
	60	Edward Dalton - ×	1, Old Broad-street - - -	1065	In addition to 10 shares, *see* No. 33.			
	5	B. W. Bradley - -	69, Gt. Queen-st. Lincoln's-inn-fids.	1066				
	25	Julian Gallerand - ×	Payne's Cottage Hammersmith turnpike.	1067				
	25	Sarah Clark - ×	133, Ratcliffe-highway - -	1068				
	15	J. W. Monsell - ×	13, Arlington-st. Myddleton-sqr.	1069				
	35	Charles Wakeling ×	2, City-road - - - -	1070				
10✓	20	W. R. Hayward - -	39, Clement's-lane Lombard-street	1071	R. S., jun. - -	(10)	10	
20✓	20	Edmund East - -	Lower Tooting - - - -	1072	William Borradaile -	(20)	20	
	80	F. Hill - - -	Chemical works Deptford -	1073				
	40	Edward Austin - -	25, King's-street Camden-town -	1074				
	30	William Gray Fearnside	43, Mark-lane - - - -	1075				
	25	A. Harding - -	82, Great Suffolk-street Borough	1076				
	40	William Stoughton, to the care of - × -	Mr. Wadsworth, 22, Grafton-st. Fitzroy-square.	1077				
	20	John Whitehead - -	42, Liverpool street Broad-street	1078				
	5	E. Coupland, spinster ×	69, Pall-mall, Hammersley's -	1079				
	15	William James - -	157, Fenchurch-street - -	1080				
	50	A. R. Clarke - ×	Battersea-fields - - -	1081				
	40	Dr. Foreman - -	28, Galway-street - - -	1082				
	30	T. Barry - - ×	46, Westmorland-place City-road	1083				
	5	William Davis - ✓	69, Pall-mall - - - -	1084	An original proprietor for 5 shares, only 2*l.* 10*s.* to pay. (Wishes 5 shares more, *see* No. 1339.)	✓(5)	5	
	10	J. P. Jones - - -	21, Cambridge-terrace - -	1085				
	25	Henry Allen - ✓	23, Threadneedle-street - -	1086	Recommended by Mr. Walter, special.	✓(10)	10	

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20	William Stephenson	✓	26, Cornhill - - - -	1087	Recommended by Mr. Walter, special.	✓	[10]	Cancelled.
30	E. J. Brandon -	×	37, Modeford-court, Fenchurch-st.	1088	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
100	Thos. Wm. Dernford	✓	Suffolk-lane, No. 1089 and -	1090	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
100	Thomas Hamber -	✓	26, Cornhill - - - -	1091	- - ditto - -	✓ (25)	25	
50	Hen. Knaggs, surgeon	✓	66, High-street, Camden-town -	1092	Ditto, Mr. Phillpotts	✓		
20	Moses Emanuel -	×	1, Bevis Marks - - -	1093				
34	Geo. W. Buckton	×	44, Skinner's-street Snow-hill -	1094				
10	Wm. T. Robinson	×	45, Fore-street - - - -	1095				
40	Thomas Robinson	×	- ditto - - - - -	1096				
20	Frederick Grellett	-	22, Austin-friars - - -	1097	Merchant.			
30	F. G. Francis -	-	9, George-yard Lombard-street -	1098				
60	J. Curtis - -	×	3, Buckingham-street Pimlico -	1099				
50	Thomas S. Sedgweek	✓	Mark-lane - - - -	1100	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (50)	50	
20	Thomas Edwards	×	20, Austin-friars - - -	1101				
20	Jos. Temple -	✓	Guildhall - - - - -	1102	A proprietor in the Greenwich.	✓ (5)	5	
30	Edward Clifford -	✓	- - - - - - -	1103	In addition to his original shares.	✓ (20)	(×)20	
(*10) ✓ 50	W. J. Blacksley -	§	New City-chambers - - -	1104	- - - -	(10)	10	
20	J. M. Kay - -	-	3, George-yard Lombard-street	1105				
30	J. M. Belisaria -	×	147, Fenchurch-street - -	1106				
5	Thomas Eldred -	✓	21, Fore-street - - -	1107	In addition to 20 shares. *See* No. 942	✓		
25	Edward Eldred -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	Recommended by Mr. Twells.	✓ (20)	20	
15	John Barker -	-	26, Milton-place Belgrave-square	1108				
20	John D. Johnston	×	2, Waterloo-place Limehouse -	1109				
20	R. Johnston -	×	4, Camden-st. Glo'ster-pl. Pancras	1110				
50	H. R. Williams -	-	15, Blackfriars-road - - -	1111				
30	Robert Johnston	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1112				
100	Isaac Levi & Co.	×	36, Old Broad-street - -	1113				
25	A. Johnston -	×	4, Camden-st. Glo'ster-pl. Pancras	1114				
50	S. A. - - -	×	11, Bevis Marks - - -	1115				
100	Col. Sir Neil Douglas, C.B., K.C.H.	✓	A. D. C. to the King - -	1116	To the full amount if possible, secretary.	✓ (100)	100	
30	Henry Hill - -	×	Southampton-street Camberwell	1117	- - - -	(20)	20	
30	Walter Fawcett -	×	47, Chapel-street Pentonville -	1118				
40	Edward Hancorne	×	4, Euston-square - - -	1119				
30	J. Bawdell - -	-	5, Broad-street-buildings - -	1120				
10	D. H. Chandler -	-	71, Old Broad-street - -	1121				
20	Josh. Wilson -	×	Clifford, near Sheffield - -	1122	Address to Messrs. Hamilton & Co., 40, Broad-street-buildgs.			
100	James Swaby -	✓	At Messrs. Sutton, Sons & Co. -	1123	In addition to 200. *See* No. 673, J. Phillpotts.			
100	R. T. Alger - -		37, Bedford-row - - -	1124				
50	R. G. Spurring -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1125				
40	T. Halls, Lt. R. Marines		Tower - - - - -	1126				
15 ✓ 50	W. Quilter - - -		10½, King's-arms-yard - -	1127	Accountants, respectable.	(15)	15	
70	E. H. Lindo -	✓	14, St. Mary Axe - - -	1128	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	✓ (20)	20	
30	N. Dornett -	✓	10, George-yard Lombard-street	1129	- - ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
40	Charles Thompson	✓	9, Shorter's-court - - -	1130				
25	J. M. Ogden -	-	Sunderland - - - -	1131	In addition to 25. *See* No. 343, Qu. Cs. Perkins.	✓		
10 ✓ 20	J. Le Souef -	-	Consulate of the United States, Bishopsgate Church-yard.	1132	- - - -	(10)	10	
15	James Marsh -	×	45, Queen's-row Walworth -	1133				
100	Benjamin Joseph	×	11, London-str. Fenchurch-street	1134				
5 ✓ 15	Thomas Patten -	✓	Sir John Lubbock & Co. - -	1135	- - - -	(5)	5	
100	Thomas Moxon, jun.	✓	69, Old Broad-street - -	1136	J. and T. Moxon - -	✓ (100)	100	
20	Benjamin Groom	✓	- ditto - - - -	1137	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
25	Samuel Samson -	✓	3, Bartholomew-lane - -	1138	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
20	G. B. Brown -	✓	23, Threadneedle-street - -	1139	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
100	R. H. Lloyd -	✓	Lombard-street - - -	1140	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	✓ (100)	100	
30	E. Jessurim -	×	Belle-vue-place Mile-end-road -	1141				
20	W. Williams -	×	39, Lothbury, care of B. B. Williams	1142				
30	Richard H. Taylor	×	2, Warnford-ct. Throgmorton-str.	1143				

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20	George Baker -	×	14, Jeffrey's-street Camden-town	1144				
20	Henry Ambridge	×	Strong's Cottage Newington-green, Stoke Newington.	1145				
40	M. Doughty -	×	11, Thavies'-inn - - -	1146				
20	H. Hall - -	×	Cement-works Tuscany-wharf Kingsland-road.	1147				
25	James Payne -	×	Chapel-pl. South Audley-street -	1148				
20	Robert Scott -	×	4, Sweeting's-alley - - -	1149				
20	Thomas Tyrrell -	×	91, Goswell-street - - -	1150				
10	Richard M'Nally	×	3, Walbrook, Deacon's Coffeehouse	1151				
20	Charles Cairns -	×	Military-store Department, 108, Leadenhall-street.	1152				
30	J. E. Pye - - -		12, Mark-lane - - - -	1153				
20	Henry Tribe - -		55, Old Broad-street - -	1154				
2(*40681½)2	Mary Garrard -	×	Carlton Cottages George's-road Kent-road.	1155	- - - -	(2)	2	
25	Ann Rivell Parry	×	North-end Fulham - - -	1156				
50	J. Howard - -	×	Upper Park-place Dorset-square	1157				
40	John Lewin -	×	74, Houndsditch - - -	1158				
20	Henry Davis -	×	45, Newington-causeway - -	1159				
50	Arthur G. Murphy	×	8, Essex-street Strand - -	1160				
[20 or] 30	Rich. Bellamy Bracken		4, Rye-terrace Peckham - -	1161				
5	Thomas Weymouth	×	26, Terrace Pimlico - - -	1162	Poulterer.			
5	James A. Murgesson	×	20, White Lion-st. Norton-falgate	1163				
60	W. A. Roche -	×	12, Lower Elizabeth-str. Pimlico	1164				
50	Wm. Mansfield, esq.	×	At Mr. Cowell's, hatter, 20, Great Russell-street Covent-garden	1165				
30	J. M. Carter -	×	2, Weymouth-ter. Hackney-road	1166				
5	J. M. Carter -	×	29, Brunswick-street Hackney-rd.	1167				
100	Isaac Solly, junior	✓	(Wishes 100 shares more. *See* No. 1326.)	1168	Requested by Mr. Rob. Sutton, jun.	✓ (50)	50	
50	D. C. Roose -	✓	39, Old Broad-street - -	1169	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
10	Lewis Burnand, jun.	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1170	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
50	Henry Paterson -	✓	39, Old Broad-street - -	1171	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
[10 or] 15	Daniel Fitzgerald	×	1, Newcastle-place - - -	1172				
30	J. Natali - -	×	10, St. Mary Axe - - -	1173				
100	William Wilkinson	×	11, Throgmorton-street - -	1174				
35	James Mansell -	×	18, Ditto - - - - -	1175				
100	H. Wheeler, jun.	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1176	Qy. R. S. jr.			
10✓ 30	Alexander Fradgely	-	At Messrs. Curries, Raikes & Co.	1177	- - - -	(10)	10	
30	Septimus Crosley	×	1, Finsbury-circus - - -	1178				
10	Thomas East -	×	9, London-terrace - - -	1179				
5 5	E. Whittle - -	×	4, Carlton Cottages St. George's-road.	1180	- - - -	(5)	5	
30	Thomas Brook -	×	42, High-street Bloomsbury -	1181				
25	John Walker -	×	1, Lawrence Pountney-hill -	1182				
10	John Small -	×	25, Thavies-inn - - -	1183				
30	J. H. Stead -	×	Battle-bridge Pentonville - -	1184				
15	E. E. Collins -	×	1, Lancaster-place, Strand -	1185				
50	William Braund -	✓	Hitchin, Herts - - - -	1186				
40	Henry Green -	×	Auction Mart Coffee-house -	1187	- - - - -	§		
20	A. F. Esse - -	×	11, Bentinck-street Manchester-sq.	1188	[Qy. R. S.]			
30	Charles Le Roy -	×	Old Church-ho. Camberwell -	1189				
20	John Woods -	×	23, Bidborough-st. Burton-crescent	1190				
15	Thomas Bennett -	×	New Clement's-inn Strand -	1191				
25	T. Briggs - -	×	24, Store street Bedford-square -	1192				
20	J. B. Foord -	×	General Mining Association, 10, Ludgate-hill.	1193				
30	E. S. Sydney -	×	2, New London-str. Fenchurch-st.	1194				
40	Walter Lerigo -	✓	Bury, Lancashire - - -	1195	Ordered by H. C. Morris, 29th October.	§ (10)	10	
50	Edward Clark -	✓	Savery & Clark, solicitors, Bristol	1196	Ordered by Mr. Edw. Clark, 29th October	§ (25)	25	
50	Henry Clark, surgeon	✓	King's-square, ditto - - -	–		§ (25)	25	
20	G. Smith, haberdasher	✓	Bull-street, Birmingham - -	1197		§ (10)	10	
10	Jesse Greaves, esq.	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–	Ordered by Robson Reilby, 30th October	§ (5)	5	
50	E. Bourne Lovell, esq.	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–		§ (25)	25	
50	J. Barwell, metal-dealer	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–		§ (25)	25	
30	Sam. Briggs, builder	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–		§ (10)	10	
5	Charles A. Harris	✓	Oriel College, Oxford - -	1198	- - - -	§ (5)	5	
10	John Richards, jun.	✓	Reading, solicitor - - -	1199	(*See* 2102) - -	§ (10)	10	
15	Fred. Blissett Hooper	✓	Reading, surgeon - - -	–	Ordered by J. Rickards, jun. 30th Oct.	§ (10)	10	
10	John Richards, esq.	✓	- - ditto - - -	–		§ (5)	5	
10	Henry Farr, solicitor	✓	Thornbury, Bristol - - -	1200	In addition to 5 shares. *See* No. 445.	§		
5	James Crawford -	✓	Pool-lane, Liverpool - - -	1201	- - - -	§ (5)	5	

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100	A. & S. Joseph -	✓	8. George-street Minories - -	1202	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (30)	30	
60	Gowan & Mark -	✓	7, Copthall-court - - -	1203	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
50	Foster & Brathwaite	✓	64, Old Broad street - -	1204	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
3	Robert Baylis -	×	Hollis Bush Hill - - -	1205	Clerk to the magistrates Worship-street.			
30	George Hamilton	×	19, Westmorland-pl. Camberwell	1206				
30✓ 50	J. Scott, junior -	-	80, Old Broad-street - -	1207	- - - - -	(30)	30	
50	Stephen Flocklan	×	Baltic Coffee - - - -	1208				
[30] (*30)50	F. W Medley -	×	80, Old Broad-street - - -	1209	- - - - -	(30)	30	
20	William Read -	×	7, Britannia-street City-road -	1210				
10	Henry John Rucker	✓	Mincing-lane - - - - -	1211	Recommended by Mr. C. Perkins and the secretary.			
10	William Lewis -	×	21, Tabernacle-row City-road -	1212				
1	Charles Powis -	-	Receiver-general's Office Excise	1213				
20	Thomas C. Hoe -	×	Messrs. M'Intosh & Co. Mark-lane	1214				
20	William Shackle -	×	24, High-row Knightsbridge -	1215				
5	Thomas Ladbury	×	6, Colet-place Commercial-road -	1216				
50	William Bruce -	-	8, George-yard Lombard-street -	1217				
20	Richard Bland -	×	175, Aldersgate-street - -	1218				
1	G. B. Robinson -	×	8, Old Jewry - - - -	1219	Says it is for an elderly lady.			
30	Thomas Gotobed	×	82, Great Russell-st. Bloomsbury	1220				
Cancell'd[50]	✓ R. de N. Lucas -	✓	21, Fenchurch-street - -	1221	Solicitor - - -	✓		
60	Robert Jackman -	×	Mansfield-cottage, Dunstan's-road, Kingsland-road.	1222				
10	John Cumberland	-	119, Wood-street Cheapside -	1223				
20	Thomas Nicholl -	×	21, Northampton-st. Canonbury	1224				
50	John Mills - -	×	27, Hunter-st. Brunswick-square	1225	Recommended by Mr. Smith, New-ct. Bow-lane.			
20	Henry Levy -	×	63, Gt. Prescott-st. Goodman's-fi.	1226				
50	Joseph Badger -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1227				
20	Henry Goodwin -	×	13, Wallcot-cottages, Hackney -	1228				
60	Frederick Keen -	×	Down-lodge Shacklewell - -	1229				
50	H. Finch Letchworth	✓	Reading - - - - -	1230	Known to Mr. Walter, holds 75 in Greenwich.	✓ (10)	10	
50	W. D. Shirriff -	✓	3, George yard, Lombard-street	1231	Recommended by Mr. Walter, the secy and Mr. Deare, *see* 2116.	✓ (20)	20	
20	Miss Sarah Pugh	×	28, Melton-place Euston-square	1232				
30	J. Stainforth -	×	6, Elizabeth-pl. Kennington-cross	1233				
60	James Boughton -	×	10, Brunswick-st. Hackney-road	1234				
25	David Masterton	×	33, Arbour-sq. Commercial-road	1235				
20	T. Brown - -	×	15, Bartholomew-sq. Old-street -	1236				
25	John Sibbuld -	-	28, Clement's-lane - - -	1237				
30	J. Cartwright -	×	Register-office St. Katharine-docks	1238				
45	Henry Benjamin -	×	25, Little Alie-st. Goodman's-fi.	1239				
20	John Williams -	×	20, Apollo-bs. N. E.-lane Walworth	1240				
45	J. D. Benjamin -	×	62, Leman-st. Goodman's-fields -	1241				
20	Thomas Rouse -	×	6, Grafton-place Kentish-town -	1242				
100	Thomas Solly -	✓	Walthamstow - - - -	1243	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	✓ (100)	100	
50	—— Newnham -	✓	(*Sent Mr. Perkin's Office) -	1244	Recommended by Mr. Perkins, special.	✓ (30)	30	
30	—— Valpy -	✓		–	- ditto - -	✓ (15)	15	
25	John Knight, esq.	✓	Secretary to the Bank of England	1245	Recommended by Mr. Twells, special.	✓ (25)	25	
(100 S. J. Boileau)200	Henry Kingscote, esq.	✓	Bank Chambers - - -	1246	In addition to 200 shares *see* No. 1064.	✓ (100)	100	(S. J. Boileau
50	Thomas Hobblewhite	✓	65, Church-street Liverpool -	1247	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	✓ (50)	50	
50	G. B. Fairclough, esq.	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
50	Alfred Webb -	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–	- ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
50	George Doncaster	×	Address these letters to 65, Church street Liverpool.	–	- ditto - -	✓		
50	S. A. Levy -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1248	- ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
50	Samson Goldsmid	✓	- ditto - - - -	1249	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
30	W. D. Chowne, M. D.	✓	14, Princes-street Cavendish-sq. -	1250	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
20	Nat. Bingham, surgeon	✓	42, Old Bond-st., the answer to be sent Mr. C. Mann, 7 Old Broad-st.	1251	Recommended by Lieutenant Brothers.	✓ (20)	20	
10	George Favenc -	✓	Tom's Coffee house - - -	1252	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (5)	5	

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60	Charles Mann -	✓	7, Old Broad-street - - -	1253	Recommended by Mr. Walter, special.	✓ (20)	20	
40	David Manby -	×	37, - ditto - - - -	1254				
30	J. H. Williams -	×	36, New Gloucester-street Hoxton	1255				
25	E. Waley Salomonson	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1256				
25	Joseph Millengen	×	16, Hackney-terrace - - -	1257	To be sent to the Bank Coffee-house.			
20	S. Hermand Stoett	×	80, Old Broad-street - -	1258				
50	Samuel Dezoette	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1259				
10	Wm. Wynn Willson	✓	Palestine-place Cambridge-heath Hackney.	1260	Recommended by Mr. Twells.	✓ (10)	10	
20	William Burnett -	✓	Cambden-row Bethnall-green-road	–		✓ (10)	10	
20	Henry Marshall -	✓	27, Gracechurch-street - -	–		✓ (25)	25	
30	William Richardson	×	8, White-street Bethnal-green-road	1261	Refers to Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co.			
5	Henry Mackenzie	✓	3, Claremont-row Islington -	1262	A proprietor in the Greenwich for an investment.	✓ (5)	5	
30	Charles Hoghton	✓	10, John-street Adelphi - -	1263	Recommended by Mr. Twells.	✓ (30)	30	
20	A. A. Hoghton -	✓	13, Angel-court Throgmorton-st.	1264	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
50	John Woodroffe -	✓	11, George-yard Lombard-street	1265	- - ditto - -	✓ (40)	40	
50	—— Denman -	×	9, Fleet-street - - - -	1266				
10	P. Mudie - -	-	1, King William-st. London-bridge	1267				
50	Henry Bagett Jones	✓	71, Old Broad-street - -	1268	A proprietor in the Greenwich, and a friend of Mr. Beeby.	✓ (10)	10	
30	J. R. Woodford -	✓	21, York-place City-road - -	1269	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓	10	
1	John Hinton - -		6, Glo'ster-st. Queen-sq. Bloomsbury	1270				
10	G. Rowland Minshull	✓	12, St. Paul's-churchyard - -	1271	Recommended by Mr. Walter, R. S. jun.	✓ (5)	5	
30	Sir W. Murray, bart.	✓	30, Hans-place Sloane-street -	1272	- - ditto - -	✓ (15)	15	
20	J. B. Hudson -	×	4, Old Jewry, solicitor - -	1273				
20	William White -	×	22, High-street Islington - -	1274				
20	Eliza Foxall -	×	21, Kinder-street Commercial-road	1275				
25	Charles M. Willick	✓	University Life office, 24, Suffolk-street, Pall-mall.	1276	Recommended by Jno. Brothers, esq.	✓	[20]	Cancelled.
25	Thomas S. Cape -	✓	80, Newman-street Oxford-street	1277	- - ditto - -	✓	[20]	
20	A. Donaldson -	×	Upper Holloway - - -	1278				
50	John Woodhouse	×	7, Upper Brook-st. Grosvenor-sq.	1279				
30	M. Rotschild -	×	6, Margaret-st. Bagnigge Wells-rd.	1280				
5✓ 5	Maria Louisa Hinde	✓	Chester-terrace - - -	1281	Very respectable -	(5)	5	
5✓ 5	Harriette Hinde -	✓	- - ditto - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	(5)	5	
25	Henry Budd -	×	9, Skinner-street Snow-hill -	1282				
20	Thos. Stewart, builder	×	Rhodes Well-road Limehouse -	1283				
20	Dr. Griffith, M. D.	-	Belgrave-street Belgrave-square -	1284				
50	Sidney Jones, druggist	×	Davies-street Berkeley-square -	1285				
25	W. C. Robinson -	×	Tom's Coffee-house Cornhill -	1286				
50	Thomas Lumley -	×	5, Homer-place New-road - -	1287				
30	George Grunwell	✓	108, Cheapside - - -	1288	Known to Mr. Walter, and a proprietor in the Greenwich.	✓ (5)	5	
30	Benjamin Bentley -		1, Haydon-square - - -	1289				
20	Edward Smith -	×	Rotunda Bank - - - -	1290				
20	A. G. Isaac -	×	37, Nottingham-place - -	1291				
10	George Langley -	×	4, Abbey-street Bermondsey -	1292				
20	Thomas Langley -	×	- - - ditto - - - -	1293				
40	Daniel Holmes -	✓	17, Russell-street Bloomsbury -	1294	William Green -	✓	[10]	Cancelled.
20	John A. Walker -	✓	73, Lombard-street - - -	1295	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓		
50	W. Smart - -	×	Fig-tree-court Temple - -	1296				
30	Thomas Hayman	×	17, South Lambeth - - -	1297				
15✓ 40	Edward Fownes -	-	Cash-book-office Bank - -	1298	- - - -	(15)	15	
50	W. Hoys - -	✓	University club Pall-mall - -	1299	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
50	R. J. Drew -	×	Vauxhall-bridge-road - -	1300				
100	James Blair -	✓	Jerusalem Coffee-house Cornhill	1301	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
200	Bartholomew Jeffery	✓	12, Bucklersbury - - -	1302	ditto, holds 500 in Greenwich.	✓ (100)	100	
50	M. A. Bache -	×	42, Rupert-street Haymarket -	1303				
5	George Boucher -	×	13, Harmood-st. Hampstead-road	1304				
30	Thomas Hedgcock	×	2, Hale's-place South Lambeth -	1305				
5✓ 10	Charles Baker -	-	Bank of England - - -	1306	- - - -	(5)	5	
20	Thomas Lillo -	×	178, Great Surrey-st. Southwark	1307				
20	Thos. Course, oilman	×	44, St. John-street Clerkenwell -	1308				
30	James Marshall -	×	8, Northampton-square - -	1309				

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	50	J. Thomas - -	✓	Auction-mart - - - -	1310	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (15)	15	
	40	J. H. Anderdon -	✓	73, Lombard-street - - -	1311	- - ditto - -	✓ (15)	15	
	30	John Twitt - -	×	1, Falcon-square Aldersgate-street	1312				
50✓	100	George Palmer - -		2, North Piazza Royal Exchange	1313	- - - - -	(50)	50	
	20	Edward Orpwood -		147, Fenchurch-street - -	1314				
	20	E. Bartholomew -	×	126, Shoreditch - - - -	1315				
	25	N. W. Symonds -	✓	2, White-lion-court Cornhill -	1316	William Green -	✓	[5]	Cancelled.
	20	William Jordan -	×	19, Henry-street Pentonville -	1317				
(*10)✓	30	R. Boyman Boyman	§	1, King William-street - -	1318	- - - - -	[10]		Cancelled.
	25	Robert Thrupp -	×	Trafalgar-whf. Montagu-close Boro'	1319	Known to Mr. Horneman.			
	50	J. Macrow - -	×	3, St. James's-square - - -	1320				
	50	Rich. Pater, surgeon	×	Honduras-terrace Commercial-rd.	1321				
	60	Walter M. Fowler	✓	23, Change-alley - - -	1322	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (10)	10	
	20	Joseph North -	×	Baltic Coffee-house - - -	1323				
	25	Edward A. de Grave	✓	97, St. Martin-le-Grand - -	1324	An original subscriber	✓ (25)	25	
	30	W. N. Nodding -	✓	12, Upper Glo'ster-st. Dorset-sq.	1325	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓ (15)	15	
	100	Isaac Solly, jun. -	✓	- - - - - - - -	1326	In addition to 100 shares, *see* No. 1168.	✓		
	25	Albert Barrett -	✓	37, Old Jewry - - - -	1327	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓ (10)	10	
	30	Henry Alex. Ince	✓	Croom's-hill Greenwich - -	1328	- - ditto - -	✓		
	100	Robert Barnett -	✓	11, Birchin-lane - - -	1329	- - ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
	5	H. Cross - -	-	47, Wood-street Cheapside -	1330				
	20	Robert Bowie -	-	74, Bishopsgate Within - -	1331				
	5	John Surr - -	-	47, Wood-street - - -	1332				
	20	John Howe Snow	×	1, Prince's-street Soho - -	1333				
	10	David Sims -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1334				
	10	George Williams	×	73, London-wall - - -	1335				
	20	S. L. Bensusan -	-	2, Wabrook-buildings - -	1336				
	20	John Coleman -	-	6, William-street Wilmington-sq.	1337	Gold and silver wire-drawer.			
	20	T. Mackenzie -	×	John's Coffee-house - - -	1338				
	5	W. Davis - -	✓	69, Pall-mall - - - -	1339	An original proprietor, 5 shares additional. *See* 1084.	✓		
5 or	10	R. Leon - -	×	6, Colet-place Commercial-road -	1340				
	50	James Boucant -	×	At Mr. J. G. La Serre's office, 8, Warnford-court.	1341				
	50	L. Richardson -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1342	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	✓ (30)	30	
	200	N. H. Roberts -	✓	30, Upp. Montagu-st. Montagu-sq.	1343	- - ditto - -	✓ (100)	100	
	200	Frederick Burmester	✓	10, St. Helen's-place - - -	1344	- - ditto - -	✓ (100)	100	
	20	Edward Irving -	✓	23, Southampton-st. Covent-garden	1345	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	10	W. Jeffery - -	×	61, Freeschool-street Horsleydown	1346				
	50	Richard Mills -	×	66, High-street Camden-town -	1347				
	15	J. Johnson - -	×	54, Brunswick-street Hackney-road	1348				
	35	Henry Miller -	×	King-street Hammersmith - -	1349				
	20	Henry Richardson	✓	7, Ironmonger-lane - - -	1350	Addressed to Mr. Vallance.	✓ (20)	20	
	25	Catherine Harris	×	Robart's-arms Devonport-street -	1351	The proprietress.			
	30	George Wakefield	×	Ossulston-street Somer's-town -	1352				
	40	Edward Sutton -	×	8, Grosvenor-place Camberwell -	1353				
	50	William Shearman	×	4, Cary-lane - - - -	1354				
	5	Dudley Cookes -	×	Aldenham-grove near Elstree -	1355				
	200	S. S. Hydress -	✓	22, Oval Kennington - - -	1356	Refers to Mr. Walter	✓ (25)	25	
	50	Wilson Slater -	✓	332, High-street Wapping - -	1357	ditto - to Mr. Borradaile, but not known by Mr. B.	✓		
	10	Jacob Carr, jun. -	×	4, Saville-row Mile-end-road -	1358				
Cancels	[20]	M. J. Rippinsham	✓	Great Prescott-street - -	1359	Addressed to Mr. Vallance.	✓		
	20	G. Wetherell & Co.	×	Cross-street Finsbury - -	1360				
	10	Wm. James Mackey	✓	At Messrs. Moxon's, 69, Old Broad-street.	1361	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (10)	10	
	25	J. Holbird - -	-	56, Stamford-street Blackfriars -	1362				
	10	T. W. T. Dowers	×	16, Tooke's-court Cursitor-street	1363				
	50	J. G. La Serre -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1364	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	✓ (20)	20	
	10	T. F. - - -	×	Customs London Dock - -	1365				
10✓	10	Hugo St. John Mildmay, esq.		30, Bruton-street Berkeley-square	1366	Ordered by Messrs. Hammersleys.	✓ (10)	10	
	5	Richard Goodfellow	×	10, Walburgh-st. Lr. Chapman-st. Cannon-st.-road St. George's East.	1367				

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	20	James Fenn -	✓	Consol-office, Bank - - -	1368	Addressed to Robert Sutton, esq.	✓		
	20	Richard Minter Mount	✓	Canterbury, solicitor - -	1369	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	✓(10)	10	
[15]✓	30	D. M'Arthur, esq.	✓	Bristol - - - - -	1370	Ordered by Mr. Geo. Palmer, Royal Exchange.	(20)	20	
[15]✓	30	C. Olaker Hodges, esq.	✓	Ditto - - - - -	—		(20)	20	
	40	J. Tullock - -	×	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	1371				
	25	C. Wyatt - -	×	30, Tonbridge-street New-road -	1372				
	100	Sir John Key, bart	×	4, Barge-yard Bucklersbury -	1373				
	30	William Bye -	×	Lloyd's - - - - -	1374				
	50	Robert Hardy -	×	66, Basinghall-street - -	1375				
	40	Abraham Toulmin	×	6, New London-st. Crutched-friars	1376				
	30	J. B. Broughton -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1377				
	25	John Smart - -		32, Budge-row Cannon-street -	1378				
	15	M. Hulbert -	×	1, Ebenezer-ter. Stepney New Ch.	1379				
	20	William Smith -	×	12, King's Arm's-yd. Coleman-st.	1380				
	10	James Christian -	×	5, Nelson-square Blackfriar's-rd.	1381				
	10	Henry Samson -	×	3, Bartholomew-lane - - -	1382				
10✓	20	John Goldsmid, jun.	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1383	R. S. jun. - -	10	10	
	20	Richard S. Wilkinson	×	- Ditto - - - -	1384				
	25	D. Christie - -		37, Montague-square - -	1385				
5✓	10	William Geo. Hudson -		13, King's-street Cheapside -	1386	The brother of Mr. Patison's solicitor.	5	5	
	10	G. P. Longden - -		3, Paul's-chain Doctors' Commons	1387				
	50	T. G. Lowder - -		9, Robert-street Albany-street -	1388				
Can[d]	[30]	Thomas B. Cox -	✓	24, Poultry - - - -	1389	Known to Mr. Vallance and Mr. G. Smith.	✓		
	20	T. S. Spering -	✓	Wanstead, Essex - - -	1390	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓		10
	20	G. B. Townsend -	✓	5, Angel-court Throgmorton-st. -	1391	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	20	Charles Vane Clark	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1392	- - ditto - -	✓ 5		5
	50	James Blair -	✓	John's Coffee-house - - -	1393	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	40	J. W. F. Dalton -	✓	46, Lime-street - - -	1394	- - ditto - -	✓ 5		5
	40	W. J. Browne -	✓	- Ditto - - - - -	1395	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	20	Henry Webb -	✓	39, West-square Lambeth - -	1396	- - ditto - -	✓ 5		5
	20	W. Edwards -	×	Bow Church-yard - - -	1397				
	50	John S. Clark -	✓	Angel-court - - - -	1398	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ 10		10
		J. Pougerard -	✓	Exchange-entrance south side -	1399	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	50	George Hearne -	✓	4½, Cirencester-pl. Fitzroy-sq. -	1400	Recommended by Mr. Walter (* not known where directed.)	✓		10
	25								
	20	James Kent -	✓	50, Mark-lane - - - -	1401	- - ditto - -	✓ 5		5
	30	B. French - -	✓	51, Crutched-friars - - -	1402	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	30	H. Hall - -	✓	7, Clement's-lane Lombard-street	1403	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	30	J. Smedley - -		24, Store-street Bedford-square	1404				
	20	G. Kiedhorfer -	✓	15, St. Helen's-place, Portuguese consul.	1405	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ 10		10
	50	Henry Turkington	✓	20, Brunswick-parade Pentonville	1406	- - ditto - -	✓(10)		10
30	100	B. Boyd - -	✓	4, New Bank-buildings - -	1407	- - ditto - -	✓ 30		30
	100	D. Britten - -	✓	27, Cateaton-street - - -	1408	- - ditto - -	✓ 25		25
	5	Edmund Dinham	×	23, Chenies-street Bedford-square	1409				
	40	George Hodges -	✓	40, Shorm, near Gravesend -	1410	Remits 40*l.* bank note.	40		40
	10	John Green -	✓	2, Brighton-place New Kent-road	1411	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ 5		5
	20	W. Lane - -	×	Stock Exchange - - -	1412				
	50	J. A. Du Corron -	×	155, Cheapside - - -	1413				
	30	Lieut. Rich. Hamond White.	✓	R. N. jun. United Service-club -	1414	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ 15		15
	10	John Jackson -	✓	67, Borough - - - -	1415	- - ditto - -	✓ 10		10
	25	Daniel Sharpe -	×	39, Bridport-pl. New North-road	1416				
	40	R. Nicholson -	✓	23, Threadneedle-street - -	1417	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ 10		10
	20	S. J. Sydney - -		63, Fenchurch-street - -	1418				
	20	J. J. Luntley - -		11, Thread-needle-street - -	1419				
	30	Robert Spencer Lambe		45, Crofton-street East - -	1420				
	20	Charles Creswell -		17, street Brunswick-sq.	1421				
10✓	30	Rev. James Eastwick -		Stamford, Lincolnshire - -	1422	The answer to be sent Mr. Edmonds, Philpot-lane.	10		10
	30	Samuel Beddome	✓	Mansion-house - - -	1423	A proprietor in the Greenwich, Mr. Wych.	20		20

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	20	William Bell - -		13, Lombard-street - - -	1424				
✓20	30	William Oliver Dodgson	×	2, North-piazza Royal Exchange	1425	- - - -	20	20	
✓20	50	J. C. Hope - -	×	- - - - Ditto - - -	1426	- - - -	20	20	
		Stephen Charles -							
	15	Henry Hammond -		Edmonton - - - -	1427				
	20	James Taite - -		38, Dowgate-hill - - -	1428				
	10	S. Hallam - -	✓	30, Bishopsgate-within - -	1429	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓(10)	10	
	5	William Heron - -		Air-street Regent-street - -	1430				
	50	Ward & Mieville	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1431	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	✓(25)	25	
(*20) §	30	P. Mitchell, J. M. 20	✓	Copthall-court - - - -	1432	- - - -	(20)	20	
	20	H. Playford, jun.	-	47, Upper Norton-st. Fitzroy-sq.	1433				
	25	Samuel Salomanson	-	4, Adam's-court Old Broad-st. -	1434				
	60	Richard Mills -	✓	66, High-street, Camden-town -	1435	In addition to 10 shares. *See* No. 651. Recommended by Mr. Philpotts.	✓		
	30	Virginia Green, spinster	✓	2, Paragon-place, New Kent-road	1436	William Green. J. E. Wyche.	✓(30)	30	
	30	William Stevens -	✓	Leadenhall-market - - -	1437	- - Ditto - -	✓	[20]	Cancelled.
	30	B. F. Bartleet -	×	Address to Bartleet & Sons, 18, Noble-street Foster-lane.	1438				
	30	Selons Crisp -		15, Windsor-terrace Vauxhall-rd.	1439				
	5	C. Irish - -		3, Charles-pl. East-lane Walworth	1440				
(*10) ✓	30	Charles Ratheram	-	Birmingham - - - -	1441	- - - -	(10)	10	
	20	William M'Quoid	-	Salvador-house Bishopsgate-st. -	1442				
	50	D. Hershel -	-	44, Houndsditch - - -	1443				
	20	Thomas Radmall	-	18, Cloth-fair Smithfield - -	1444				
	30	Laurence Shaw -	-	7, Cross Keys'-sq. Little Britain	1445				
	20	George Ihler, jun.	×	Union-wharf Wapping-wall -	1446				
	20	George Parvissien	×	6, Albany-place Hackney - -	1447				
	20	Charles Inns -	-	16, Clement's-inn - - -	1448				
	25	A. H. Smith -	-	43, Oxford-terrace Hyde-park -	1449				
	20	Henry Smith -	-	24, East-street Walworth - -	1450				
	15	William Holby -	-	13, Back Church-la. Whitechapel	1451				
	20	David Bulkeley -	-	14, Clement's-inn - - -	1452				
[4 to]	6	J. N. Macartney, 9th Lancers.		2, Barford-terrace Liverpool-road	1453	Very respectable. R. L.			
	20	Ann Orrill - -	-	Opposite Southminster-road Maldon, Essex.	1454				
	20	W. Jennings -	-	9, Inner Temple-lane Temple -	1455				
	50	Robert W. Carden	-	11, Throgmorton-square - -	1456				
	20	Emilie Crosby -	-	12, Mount-row New Kent-road -	1457				
	10	John Roberts -	-	50, George-street Blackfriars -	1458	Refers to Coombe, Delafield & Co.			
	25	Jos. Bagster -	-	Size-lane - - - - -	1459				
	30	A. Cartwright -	-	Navigation office Customs -	1460				
	20	Edward Buckhurst	-	16, Baxton-street Goswell-road -	1461				
	10	Gay & Evans -	-	25, Cornhill - - - -	1462				
	15	John Burroughs	-	3, Foster-lane Cheapside - -	1463				
	20	Frederick Jordan	-	1, Warnford-court - - -	1464				
	50	John Poulter -	-	5, Pickle-herring Tooley-street -	1465				
	40	Robert Douglas -	-	Address to A. M'Donald & Co., 3, Copthall-buildings.	1466				
	25	William Hall -	-	6, Union-court Old Broad-street	1467				
	50	Henry Kirk -	-	2, Martin's-lane Cannon-street -	1468				
	5	J. E. Clinch -	-	89, Hackney-road - - -	1469				
	25	Henry Oxley -	-	14, High-row Knightsbridge -	1470				
	10	Benjamin Hall -	-	13, King-st. Commercial-rd. East	1471				
	10	William Stokes -	-	130, Fenchurch-street - -	1472				
	40	William Culverhouse	×	Garraway's Coffee-house - -	1473				
	25	John Isaac Sydney	×	3, Charles-street Commercial-rd.	1474				
	20	Abraham Samuda	-	34, Spital-square - - -	1475				
	50	John Stady -	-	180, Upper Thames-street -	1476				
	10	James Rogers -	×	19, North-place, Kingsland-road	1477				
	30	H. N. Miller -	-	30, Coventry-street Piccadilly -	1478				
	40	Rev. Dr. Leroux	✓	Chalk-parsonage Gravesend -	1479	- - - -	§ (20)	20	
1	75	J. A. Hunt Grubbe, clerk.	✓	Kensington - - - -	1480	An original subscriber ✓ This is in addition.	(140)	140	
	200	Grubbe	✓	- - - - - - - -	—	The bro[r] of the above ✓			
	50	Joseph Davis -	✓	Bristol - - - - - -	1481	- - - -	§ (25)	25	
	20	J. Hammon -	✓	Brighton - - - - -	1482	Has property at Gravesend.	✓	[20]	Cancel[d] ✓
	30	William Edwin, baker	✓	10, King's-st. Milton Gravesend -	1483	- - - -	§ (10)	10	

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50	Samuel Kempson ✓	Birmingham	1484		§ (25)	25	
100	Thomas Miller, sen., ✓ banker.	Leicester	1485		§	[60]	Cancelled. ✓
40	William Clissold, sen., ✓ Leicester.	Care of Mr. Clissold, 28, Waterloo-street, Haggerstone.	1486		§	[25]	ditto. ✓
30	James Harwood, coal ✓ merchant.	Birmingham	1487		§ (10)	10	
20	Edward Carrol, com- ✓ mission agent.	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
20	Edw. Holmes, gent. ✓	Moseley, near Birmingham	–		§ (10)	10	
10	Thomas Buckton, esq. ✓	Birmingham	–		§ (10)	10	
5	Charl. Smith, spinster ✓	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
15	Thos. Nelson Beilby ✓	Great Russell-street Birmingham	–	Ordered by R. Beilby,	§ (20)	20	
20	Rev. Thos. Morgan ✓	Birmingham	–	31st Oct.	§	[15]	Cancelled.
10	Edward Wilson, ac- ✓ countant.	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
10	John Wade, share- ✓ broker.	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
10	Samuel Wade, gent. ✓	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
50	Sarah Short, spinster ✓	Handsworth Birmingham	–		§ (25)	25	
50	Henry Rotton, esq. ✓	National Provincial Bank of England, Birmingham.	–		§ (25)	25	
20	George Cooper ✓	Reading	1488	William Green	§ (10)	10	
30	John Swallow ✓	Manchester	1489		§ (10)	10	
50	John Coulston ✓	Lancaster	–		§ (20)	20	
100	John Leeming ✓	Manchester	–		§	[25]	Cancelled.
300	Jos. Buckley Reyner ✓	- ditto	–		§ (75)	75	
50	Henry Jacob, mer- ✓ chant.	- ditto	–	In addition to 50, *see* No. 448.	§	—	
100	Thos. Townend, esq ✓	- ditto	–		§ (25)	25	
20	John Ford ✓	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
10	H. C. Morris ✓	- ditto	–	In addition to 10, *see* No. 448.	§	[5]	Cancelled.
10	James Thomson ✓	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
10	Joseph Thomson ✓	- ditto	–	Ordered by H. C.	§ (5)	5	
10	William Squire ✓	- ditto	–	Morris, 31st Oct.	§ (5)	5	
40	Walter Lerigo ✓	Bury	–		§ (15)	15	
200	Alfred Reyner ✓	Ashton	–		§ (50)	50	
100	Frederick Reyner ✓	ditto	–		§ (25)	25	
20	Jos. Wilson ✓	Tildesley	–		§ (10)	10	
20	John Drakefield ✓	Manchester	–		§ (10)	10	
10	George Royston ✓	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
20	William Jenkinson ✓	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
10	A. Cavanagh, spinster ✓	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
30	James Horsfall ✓	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
30	Edward Westhead ✓	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
100	John Downes ✓	- ditto	–		§ (25)	25	
100	Charles Oxon ✓	- ditto	–		§ (25)	25	
10	Rev. M. H. Miller, ✓ vicar of Scarborough.		1490		§ (10)	10	
50	Amos Coates, surgeon ✓	York	1491		§ (20)	20	
50	Henry Lucas, notary ✓	Liverpool	1492		§ (20)	20	
50	Matthie and Martin ✓	- ditto	1493	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (30)	30	
50	Thomas Martin, esq., ✓ merchant.	- ditto	1494		§ (30)	30	
5	H. H. Docker ✓	- ditto	–		§	[5]	Cancelled.
50	J. C. Molyneaux, esq. ✓	- ditto	–	Ordered by Richard	§ (30)	30	
50	W. A. Smith ✓	- ditto	–	Dawson, 31st Oct.	§ (30)	30	
20	W. Critchley, broker ✓	- ditto	–		§ (10)	10	
25	T. Cooke, merchant ✓	- ditto	–		§ (20)	20	
10	John Kennedy, flour- ✓ dealer.	- ditto	–		§ (5)	5	
8	Ebenezer Jones ✓	Abergavenny	1495		§	[5]	Cancelled.
8	Wolfe Isaac, pawn- ✓ broker.	- ditto	–		§	[5]	ditto.
20	Meyer Frank ✓	3, Rumford-terrace Manchester	1496		§ (10)	10	
50	Thos. Roy, merchant ✓	Liverpool	1497	Refers to Messrs. Barclay, Perkins & Co.	§ (20)	20	
20	W. L. Riddle ✓	Bristol	1498		§ (10)	10	
10	Richard St. Amour ✓	Ostende	1499		§ (10)	10	
30	George Bowring ✓	33, Seymour-street Liverpool	1500		§ (15)	15	
20	Hugh a Downman ✓	4, Park-street Bristol	1501		§ (10)	10	
10	A. Slocock ✓	Donnington Newbury	1502		§ (10)	10	
200	W. R. P. Geary, bart. ✓	Oxon-heath Tonbridge	1503		§ (200)	200	

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[12 or] 15	Samuel Greaves -	✓	Canterbury - - - -	1504	Secretary to the savings-bank.	§ (10)	10	
30	Anne Watson, spinster	✓	Great Yarmouth - - -	1505	William Green. T. E. Wyche.	✓ (20)	20	
10	George Sellman -	✓	27, Gracechurch-street - -	1506	Recommended by Mr. Twells.	✓ (5)	5	
10	Thomas Liddiard	✓	18, Grove-place Camberwell -	–	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
50	J. M. Pearce -	✓	Swithin's-lane - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	✓ (40)	40	
5	William Holt -	✓	Coventry - - - - -	1507	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
5	Andrew Goode Holt	✓	ditto - - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
30	John Cobb - -	✓	5, Cobham-row Clerkenwell -	–	- - ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
10	Ann Holbington -	✓	Edgbaston Birmingham - -	1508	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
10	Thomas Dallaway	✓	131, New-street Birmingham -	1509	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
20	Samuel Parkes -	✓	Birmingham - - - -	1510	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
10	Samuel Lee -	✓	131, New-street Birmingham -	1511	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
10	Sampson Summerfield	✓	Bank, Shiffnall - - - -	1512	- - ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
100	David Euart -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1513	- - ditto - -	✓ (60)	60	
10	J. Wrighton -	✓	Cannon street Birmingham -	1514	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
10	William Sumner -	✓	Birmingham - - - -	1515	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
10	W. Rushton -	✓	- ditto - - - - -	1516	- - ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
20	Samuel Johnson -	✓	Bristol Infirmary - - -	1517				
	A correspondent of Messrs. Cole & Mullens, 45, Lothbury.							
40	George Towgood -		13, Sweeting's Alley - - -	1518	- - - - -	(40)	40	
5	John Story -	×	Mile end-road - - - -	1519	In addition to 10 shares, *see* No.			
50	Emma Mary Akerman	✓	- - - - - - -	1520	- - - - -	(10)	10	
50	Mary Jane Akerman	✓	- - - - - - -	–	- - - - -	(10)	10	
50	Alice Akerman -	✓	Address to J. Y. Akerman.	–	W. G.	(10)	10	
50	Harriett Akerman	✓		–		(10)	10	
100	John Edw. Akerman	✓	- - - - - - -	–	- - - - -	(15)	15	
100	John Akerman -	✓	- - - - - - -	–	- - - - -	(15)	15	
10	A. & W. Oppenheim	×	27, Mansell-st. Goodman's-fields	1521				
100	William Read, esq.	✓	Junior United Service Club -	1522	A like proprietor in the Greenwich.	✓ (20)	20	
15	T. Jones Hamerton -		14, Southampton-bdgs. Chancery-lane.	1523				
10	Robert Feather - -		35, New street Newington Butts	1524				
50	Wm. Cavendish, esq. -		9, Belgrave-square - - -	1525				
20	Samuel Jerram - -		37, Leadenhall-street - -	1526				
20	John Bleaden - -		47, Lothbury - - - -	1527				
10	George Bleaden - -		ditto - - - - -	1528				
15	Henry P. Hughes -		11, Basinghall-street - - -	1529				
100	John Williams -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1530	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	✓ (50)	50	
150	William Wood, M. D.	✓	Newport Salop - - -	1531	- - ditto - -	✓ (100)	100	
20	John Reddall -	×	63, Buttesland-street Hoxton -	1532				
100	Edward Suter - -		38, Wellington-st. London-bridge	1533				
30	John Mackenzie - -		Union Club Charing-cross -	1534				
30	Moses Franco -	✓	Lloyd's Subscription-room - -	1535	Refers to Mr. Moxon	✓ (30)	30	
30	S. Aguilar - -	✓	15, North-bdgs. Finsbury circus	1536	- - ditto - -	✓		
20	B. C. L. Grey - -		103, Bishopsgate-street - -	1537				
40	John Hope -	×	20, High-street Shadwell - -	1538				
300	Hichens and Harrison	✓	18, Threadneedle-street - -	1539	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	✓ (200)	200	
30	T. Edwin - -	×	2, High-street Islington - -	1540				
40	J. M'Arthur -	×	4, Beer-lane Tower street - -	1541	(*He applied last year, but did not pay.)			
40	Thomas Hope - -		13, Wilmot-street Brunswick-sqr.	1542				
20	William Nichols - -		3, Inner Temple-lane - -	1543				
25	Henry Bromhall	×	5, Cottage-place City-road -	1544				
20	Henry Brookman	-	10, Berners-street Cavendish-sqr.	1545				
40	Charles Robinson	-	70, Gt. Queen-st. Lincoln's-inn fids	1546				
(*10) ✓ 15	George Harford, esq.	§	Chew Magna, near Bath - -	1547	- - - - -	(10)	20	
50	Charles Nathaniel Bayly, esq.	✓	Hampton-court - - -	1548	Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts.	✓ (50)	50	
25	Colonel Alored -	✓	- - - - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	✓ (25)	25	
30	John Lawson -	✓	Bowness-house Kennington-lane	1549	A proprietor of [the] land on the line.	✓ (25)	25	
20	John Melhuish -	×	16, Brunswick-row Brunswick-st. Hackney-road.	1550				
25	John Elford -	×	Buttsland-street Hoxton - -	1551				
20	Samuel Ward - -		2, Great Knight Rider-street Doctors' Commons.	1552				
(*10) ✓ 20	W. D. Dowson - -		52, Upper Gower-street - -	1553	- - - - -	(10)	10	
20	Isaac Foligno -	×	50, Great Prescott-street - -	1554				

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65	Henry Lewis - -	22, Park-walk Chelsea - -	1555				
30	T. Ricard - - ×	New York Coffee-house Cornhill	1556				
40	Michael Edward Conan	58, Lincoln's-inn-fields - -	1557				
30	John Hawkins - -	2, Cullum-street - - -	1558				
50	L. Simons - - -	High-street Chatham - -	1559				
20	John Levy, academy -	3, St. James's-place Aldgate -	1560				
40	James Aldhouse - -	9, Brunswick-st. Brunswick-square	1561				
50	John Brooks - ×	2, City-road - - - - -	1562				
25	Saul Yates, solicitor ×	3, Bury-court St. Mary Axe -	1563				
25	R. Bruce - - -	4, Camden-hill Villa Bedford-pl. Kensington.	1564				
25	J. F. Buccleugh - ✓	Post-office Dartford - - -	1565	A proprietor of land on the line.	✓ (20)	20	
25	Chas. Billett - ×	Mr. Alexander's, 3, Kennington-road.	1566				
30	W. Garrier - ×	28, Shaftesbury-terrace Pimlico -	1567				
40	Charles Rowe - -	28, Euston-square - - -	1568				
180	Mr[s]. Lawson - ✓	40, Gloucester-place Portman-square.	1569	Recommended by Captain Page.	✓(180)	180	
20 [100]	Miss Thrustien - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
130	Hawker *A. Allan [Francklyn] ✓	18, Hereford-street Park-lane -	—	- ditto - -	✓(130)	130	
50	Rev. John Bradney ✓	Somerton, Somerset - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
20 [50]	Rev. J. Williams - ✓	Charlton, Somerton - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
50	George Page - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
[50]	Rev. W. - - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- ditto - -	✓	—	
30	James Blyth - ×	7, Mayfield-terrace Dalston -	1570				
25	James Wakeling - ×	1, City-road - - - - -	1571				
100	Thomas Smith - ×	3, Rodney-buildings New Kent-road.	1572				
5	John E. Barnard -	17, Great St. Helens - -	1573				
30	Lewis Lazarus - ×	1, White-st. Cutler's-st. Houndsditch.	1574				
50	George Potts - ×	11, Chester terrace Borough-road	1575				
20	Charles N. Cole - -	2, Brunswick-square - - -	1576				
20	R. Wilson - - ×	42, Essex-street Strand - -	1577				
50	Alfred Woolf - ×	28, Mansell-st. Goodman's-fields	1578				
10	Charles Sutton - -	Care of Mr. Heslop Mill-pond-bridge Rotherhithe.	1579				
20	John Ritchie - -	32, Great Winchester-street -	1580				
30	Charles Millengen ×	7, Oval, Hackney - - -	1581				
50	Henry Joseph - ×	10, Charlotte-st. Fitzroy-square -	1582				
20	W. T. Gooch - -	Gooch & Fleetwood, 3, Bartholomew-lane.	1583				
50	John Holmes - ×	9, Canterbury-place Lambeth -	1584				
10	J. O. Richardson -	Legacy Duty Office - - -	1585				
60	W. J. Richardson -	1, Montague-square - - -	1586				
[35 or] 40	Leopold C. Levy -	17, Crutched-friars - - -	1587				
50	Thomas Oldham - ✓	Southam, Warwickshire - -	1588	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (50)	50	
50	Effingham Wilson ✓	88, Royal Exchange - - -	1589	In addition to 50. *See* No. 386.	✓		
20	Rich. Whitmore Luck -	50, Watling-street - - - -	1590	For investment.			
20	John Kenton Luck -	50, ditto - - - - -	—				
20	Richard Luck - -	49, ditto - - - - -	—				
40	A. Watling - -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	1591				
Divided into two, 10. 10 20	E. Parker - - ✓	27, Myddleton-street Clerkenwell	1592	Recommended by Lt. Brothers.	✓ (20)	20	
10	William Allen - -	39, Cornhill - - - - -	1593				
5✓ 7	Josiah Relfe - -	17, ditto - - - - -	1594	- - - - -	(5)	5	
40	[K.] D. L. Pereira -	King-street Finsbury - -	1595				
50	J. P. Howard & Co. -	39, Lime-street - - -	1596				
50	Elias Gomes - ×	20, Bury-street St. Mary Axe -	1597				
20	Jones Spyer - -	30, Broad-street-buildings - -	1598				
15	John Spyer - ×	Magdalen-row Great Prescott-st. 7	1599				
5✓ 10	Thos. Squires, Cirencester	To be sent to Messrs. Wells & Son, 40, Lothbury.	1600	- - - - -	(5)	5	
20	E. Dias - - -	40, Great John-street St. John's-wood.	1601				

* These shares are to be appropriated to William Hawker, esq., 3, Somerset-street, Portman-square, instead of Mr. Allan Franklyn.

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20		A. G. Isaac -	×	37, Nottingham-place Commercial-road.	1602				
20		H Lara - -	×	5, Duke-street Aldgate - -	1603				
15		Andrew Froom -	×	93, St. John-street road - -	1604				
25		James Luke -	✓	45, Conduit-street - - -	1605	Refers to Mr. Twells, has an account at his house.	✓ (20)	20	
15		William Woodger -		37, Throgmorton-street - -	1606				
10✓	25	Charles Crosley - -		At Mr. Edmond's, 9, Change alley Cornhill.	1607	- - - -	(10)	10	
40		Charles Palmer -	✓	29, Throgmorton-street - -	1608	William Green -	✓ (10)	10	
20		William Mariner -	✓	26, ditto - - - -	1609	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
20		Richard Ireland -	✓	- ditto - - - -	1610	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
25		Henry Walker -	✓	42, Cheapside - - - -	1611	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
20		H. Oxenford -	✓	26, Throgmorton-street - -	1612	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
20		John Roberts -	✓	26, Milk-street Cheapside - -	1613	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
25		Frederick Temple	✓	Guildhall - - - -	1614	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
20		Barclay Mountency	✓	26, Throgmorton-street - -	1615	- ditto - -	✓ (5)	5	
30		Thomas Theobalds	✓	Mansion-house - - - -	1616	- ditto - -	✓ (10) [15]	10 [15]	
10		Thomas Bailey -	×	15, Grosvenor-street West Pimlico	1617				
100		Rev John Phipps Tanner Wyche.	✓	Lutterworth - - - -	1618	Recommended by Mr. T. E. Wyche.	✓(100)	100	
100		Hezekiah Wyche	✓	Grove-hill Camberwell - -	–	Letters to be sent to T. E. W., 1, Leadenhall-street.	✓(100)	100	
2		Charlotte Elizabeth Empson.	×	9, Constitution-row Gray's-inn-road.	1619				
4		Robert Dobinson	×	9, Devonshire-place Newington-green Middlesex.	1620				
20		Joseph Dredge -	-	25, St Swithin's-lane - -	1621				
10		William Thomas Cook	×	4, Parish-street Horsleydown -	1622				
50		Edwin Light 20 J.M.	✓	14, Nottingham-place Charlotte-street Whitechapel.	1623				
10		Jane Light - 10 J.M.	✓	- ditto - - - -	–				
6		Susan Light - 6 J.M.	✓	- ditto - - - -	–				
6		Mary Light - 6 J.M.	✓	- ditto - - - -	–				
3		Emma J. Light 3 J.M.	✓	- ditto - - - -	–				
75		Philip Barnes, Bristol -		At Messrs. Oppenheim, 2, Bargeyard.	1624				
Cancd See No. 2002	15	Frances Shipton [Sarah Hammond]	✓	Watford, Herts - - -	1625	This lady and her sisters proprietors in the Greenwich.	✓ (10)	10	
25		Griffiths -	×	Cheapside, send to Sheppard -	1626	Thomas, Leopard & Williams, 9, Cloak-la.	✓		
50		Silas Dibsdall, esq.	✓	Bristol - - - - -	1627	Recommended by J. A. T. Smyth.	§ (20)	20	
50		James Lowe, esq.	✓	ditto - - - - -	–	- ditto - -	§ (20)	20	
25		Emanuel Wait, esq.	✓	ditto - - - - -	–	- ditto - -	§ (10)	10	
20		John Brady, esq.	✓	ditto - - - - -	–	- ditto - -	§ (5)	5	Cancelled.
10		Charles Morgan, esq.	✓	ditto - - - - -	–	- ditto - -	§	[5]	
20		James Wait -	×	14, Wood-street Spital-fields -	–	- ditto - -	§ (5)	5	
20		John Ayston, jun.	×	9, Haberdasher's-place Hoxton -	1628				
30		William Hamper -	-	56, Threadneedle-street - -	1629				
30		Joseph Baly -	×	3, Howford-buildi gs - -	1630				
50		Ellis Reeve -	✓	7, Pope's head-alley - - -	1631	Recommended by Mr. Wyche.	✓ (50)	50	
30		Daniel Eyre -	✓	- ditto - - - -	1632	- ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
30		J. Joseph - -	-	Stock Exchange - - -	1633				
20		C. Thetford -	×	6, Walbrook-pl. East rd. City-rd.	1634				
10		W. Pitfield - -	×	190, High-street Shadwell -	1635				
1		A. Halls - -	-	At Miss Hall's, Tower - -	1636				
20		John Owen -	×	23, Bridgwater-square - -	1637				
20		R. Jenkins - -	×	28, Francis-street Newington -	1638				
30		M. Latham - -	-	3, Union-court Old Broad-street	1639				
25		C. Blanchard, Pros. Mus.	×	19, Raven-street Mile-end-road -	1640				
20		John Hebner -	×	12, Water-street Blackfriars -	1641				
30		W. C. Chatterton	-	290, Oxford-street - - -	1642				
30		Thomas Browning	-	8, Gerrard-street Soho - -	1643				
50		S. Phillips - -	-	8, Edward-street Portman-square	1644				
30		Charles Mears -	×	39, Charlotte-st. Commercial road	1645				
10		John Ryle - -	-	12, Austin-friars - - -	1646				
30		J. Hiatt - -	-	145, Blackfriars-road - -	1647				
25		James Holland -	✓	5, Bloomsbury-pl. Bloomsbury-sq.	1648	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (15)	15	

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	25	William Hughes -	✓	4, New Palace-yard Westminster	1649	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓(15)	15	
	50	John Holland - [James Hughes]	✓	8, Bishopsgate-street - -	1650	- - ditto - -	✓(20)	20	
Cancd	30	[William Hughes]	✓	[4, New Palace-yd. Westminster]	1651	Recommended by Mr. Walter, No. 5, Bloomsbury pl. Bloomsb.-sq.	✓		
	20	Wilders & Davis -		17, Austin-friars - - -	1652				
(5*)✓	10	W. Simpson -	§	2, New-inn Strand - - -	1653	- - - -	(5)	5	
[10]	19	Benj. M. Pereira	×	19, Clifton-street Finsbury -	1654				
	25	James Walker -	✓	244, Tottenham-court-road -	1655	William Green -	✓(10)	10	
	30	J. Buckle - -	✓	Guildhall - - - -	1656	A friend of Mr. Walker's.	✓ (5)	5	
15	25	John Walker -	✓	104, Albany-street Regent's-park	1657	William Green -	✓(15)	15	
	10	J. Watts - -	×	Bentinck-st. Berwick st. Soho -	1658				
	20	Edward Townsend	✓	70, Albany-street Regent's-park -	1659	- - ditto - -	✓(10)	10	
	20	Rev. Chas. Townsend	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - ditto - -	✓(10)	10	
	60	J. Fearenside, banker	✓	Lancaster - - - -	1660	Foster & Braithwaite	§ (30)	30	
	40	Samuel Hinde, ditto	✓	- ditto - - - - -	—	- - ditto - -	§ (20)	20	
	20	Daniel Manwell -	-	18, Throgmorton-street - -	1661				
	10	A. Palmer - -	-	6, Printers'-place Bermondsey -	1662				
	40	Robert Gray -	-	At Messrs. Hall, M'Garel & Co.	1663				
	40	W. & J. Jackson	-	37, Nottingham-place - -	1664				
	30	Robert Manning	×	15, Coborn-road Mile end -	1665				
	100	G. Laurence -	-	39, Old Broad-street - - -	1666				
	15	Moses Levy -	×	17, Newcastle-street Whitechapel	1667				
	20	Richard Cooper -	-	12, Goodge-street Fitzroy-square	1668				
	30	P. Isaacson -	-	3, Bury-court St. Mary-Axe -	1669				
	30	J. Halse - -	×	17, Exchange Buildings - -	1670				
	50	S. Bryant - -	×	7, Sweeting's-alley - - -	1671				
	30	Hannah Jackson -	×	4, Charles pl. Albany New-road -	1672				
	25	Wm. Henry Newton	×	13, Vigo-st. Burlington-gardens -	1673				
	20	J. Pereira - -	×	19, Clifton-street Finsbury-sq. -	1674				
	25	Thomas Holt -	-	Squire's-Mount Hampstead -	1675	- - - -	(10)	10	
	20	Wm. Watson -	-	64, Queen-street Cheapside -	1676				
	20	Samuel Birch -	×	Southampton-cottage Maiden-lane King's-cross.	1677				
	25	Col. Nichols -	✓	13, Beaumont-street Marylebone	1678				
	20	S. J. Joseph -	-	Stock Exchange - - -	1679				
	30	A. F. Slade -	-	- ditto - - - - -	1680				
	40	J. C. M'Mullen -	-	- ditto - - - - -	1681				
	100	T. C. Champion -	✓	9, Austin-friars - - - -	1682	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓(25)	25	
	30	L. L. Goldsmid -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1683	- - ditto - -	✓		
	50	Rich. H. Giraud	✓	- - - - - - -	1684	An original subscriber	✓(50)	×50	
	100	John Routh -	✓	Austin-friars - - - -	1685	Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	✓(25)	25	
	100	John Routh, jun.	✓	- ditto - - - - -	1686	- ditto - -	✓(25)	25	
	25	Benj. Scott - -	✓	Chamberlain's Office - - -	1687	- - ditto - -	✓(25)	25	
	50	J. & D. Haes -	✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1688	- - ditto - -	✓(20)	20	
	20	G. J. Clifton -	-	47, Lime-street - - -	1689				
	15	Alex. Melville -	×	1, Cambridge-terrace, Lower road Islington.	1690				
	20	John Hiatt - -	×	Jamaica Coffee-house - -	1691				
	25	H. P. Hende -	-	30, George-street Hanover-square	1692				
	30	Lyndon Bolton -	-	172, Regent-street - - -	1693				
	20	Henry Latham -	-	3, Union-court Broad-street -	1694				
	15	John Millin -	×	Moore's New-inn Old Change -	1695				
	20	Wm. Allen - -	×	3, Druids'-place Peckham Rye -	1696				
	50	L. P. Cohen -	×	26, Bow-street Covent-garden -	1697				
	20	Charles Mowell -	×	31, York-street Commercial-road	1698				
	20	P. Milne - -	×	20, Jerusalem Coffee-house -	1699				
	3	B. Bridges, jun. -	×	3, Southampton-st. Bloomsbury -	1700				
	40	H. J. Spencer -	-	14, Miles-lane London-bridge -	1701				
	3	Eliz. Perkins -	-	Batey & Finley, 40, Duke-street St. James.	1702				
	30	W. Hague - -	-	70, Rahere-street Goswell-street	1703				
	10	Myer Levy -	-	44, Marylebone - - -	1704				
	15	E. Eskell & H. Essex	×	21, Greenfield street Commercial-road.	1705				
	20	J. Valentine -	-	5, Church-court Clement's-lane -	1706				
	30	H. G. Galot -	-	15, Everett-street Russell-square	1707				
	5	Wm. G. Cussens	✓	Bristol - - - - -	1708	- - - -	✓(5)	5	
	5	Thomas Mellish -	×	Garraway's Coffee-house - -	1709				
	30	John James Bonnell	×	1, High-st. Penny-fields Poplar -	1710				

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	20	Thomas Conroy -	×	19, Newman-street Oxford-street	1711				
	30	W. J. Richards -	-	Lloyd's - - - - -	1712				
	50	S. Woolf - -	✓	Chatham - - - - -	1713	- - - -	§ (5)	×5	
	30	J. Dowsland -	✓	Croydon - - - - -	1714	- - - -	§ (10)	10	
	50	H. Cassan - -	-	10, America-square - - -	1715				
	30	Rowland Owen -	-	Vintners'-hall - - - -	1716				
	2	Rev. C. Dickin -	✓	At Mr. Guillemard's, 30, Token-house-yard.	1717	Recommended by Mr. Wyche.	✓ (2)	2	
	30	T. J. H. Saunders	×	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	1718				
15✓	30	H. S. Donnellan -	-	Junior United Service Club -	1719	- - - -	(15)	15	
	10	T. R. Camrow -	✓	1, Clement's-lane - - -	1720	Recommended by Mr. Wyche.	✓		
	20	Henry Watts -	×	29, Token-house-yard - -	1721				
10✓	20	Henry Wilson, esq.	-	Westbrook near Sheffield - -	1722	Hamilton & Sander, 40, Broad-st.-bdgs., agents; highly respectable, G. Palmer.	(10)	10	
	20	Wm. Henry Ince	✓	Croom's-hill Greenwich - -	1723	Refers to Mr. R. Sutton, jun.; the reply to be addressed to S. Stone, 24, Austin-friars.	✓		
	30	Thomas Smith -	-	14, Angel-court Throgmorton-st.	1724				
	20	John Tyrrell -	-	Carlton-chambers, 8, Regent-st. -	1725				
	50	Henry Strange -	×	6, London-lane Hackney - -	1726				
	10	H. Holste - -	×	Lloyd's - - - - -	1727				
	30	W. Buchanan -	×	60, Poland-street - - -	1728				
	20	W. Bull - -	×	7, Capel-court Bartholomew-lane	1729				
(*20)✓	20	J. A. Tielens -	-	147, Fenchurch-street - -	1730	Highly respectable.—R. L.	(20)	20	✓
	10	Daniel Pretty -	-	39, Margaret-street Cavendish-sq.	1731				
	10	John Pretty -	×	17, Brewer-street Golden-square	1732				
	25	J. Delvalle, jun. -	×	1, Gloster-ter. Cambridge-heath -	1733				
	50	James Gardiner -	-	12, Hanover-place Regent's-park	1734				
	10	Henry Cottel -	-	13, Crawford-street, Marylebone	1735	In addition to 10 sha. *See* No. 977.			
	20	Henry King -	×	38, Crispin-street, Spitalfields -	1736				
	20	J. Shaw - -	-	4, Wiltshire-pl. Vassal rd. Brixton.	1737				
	30	Wm. John Swift -	×	12, Northumberland-pl. Commercial road Stepney.	1738				
	50	J. E. Jones -	-	71, Mark-lane - - - -	1739				
	50	W. Measam -	-	12, Aldgate - - - -	1740				
	5	Laurence Guichard	×	32, Whiskin-street St. John's-st.-road.	1741				
	20	Alfred West -	-	34, Bishopsgate-street Without -	1742				
	50	Charles Hooper -	-	107, Bishopsgate-street Within -	1743				
	50	John Williams -	×	6, South-square Gray's-inn -	1744				
	50	Wm. Spencer -	✓	2, Elm-court Temple - -	1745	A landed proprietor -	✓ (30)	30	
	40	H. Cater - -	-	14, Old Jewry - - - -	1746				
	20	J. Manneville -	×	41, Threadneedle-street - -	1747				
	20	George Montague	×	45, Carey-street Lincoln's-inn -	1748				
	25	C. H. Clay - -	✓	Hare Hatch, near Maidenhead -	1749	Address at Mr. Watts's, 23, Token-house-yd.	§ (10)	10	
	20	Henry Smith -	-	Rotunda, Bank - - -	1750				
	25	Henry Hughes -	-	11, Basinghall-street - - -	1751				
	60	Henry Smith -	-	31, Cateaton-street - - -	1752				
100✓	200	Vere, Sapte & Co.	✓	77, Lombard-street - - -	1753	- - - -	(100)	100	
	30	Th. Smith - -	×	61, Westmorland-place - -	1754				
5✓	10	John Wm. Hamilton	✓	40, Broad-street Buildings - -	1755	Messrs. Hamilton & Samler.	(5)	5	
	60	John Wilson -	-	3, Dunster-court Mincing-lane -	1756				
	80	Jos. M. Gerothwohl	×	28, Great Winchester-street -	1757				
	25	G. Bland - -	×	3, Mildmay-pl. Kingsland-green -	1758				
	30	Robert Seymour -	-	3, Stafford-row Pimlico - -	1759				
	30	W. Armstrong -	-	4, Queen's-buildings Brompton -	1760				
	20	Wm. Johnson -	×	49, Tabernacle-walk Finsbury -	1761				
	40	George Hennett, esq.	✓	88, Upper Guildford-street -	1762	Recommended by Col. Landeman.	✓	40	
	20	Fred. Tyman -	✓	Crescent Greenwich - - -	—	- - ditto - -	✓	20	
	50	Thomas Hamlet -	✓	Margate - - - - -	1763	- - ditto - -	✓ (50)	50	
	20	Alex. Nairne -	✓	Care of Messrs. Small & Co, 8, Old Jewry.	1764	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (15)	15	
	40	Wm. Rist - -	✓	29, Great North-street Lisson-gro.	1765	- - ditto - -	✓ (15)	15	
	200	John Curling -	✓	Southwark - - - -	1766	- - ditto - -	✓ (30)	30	
	10	James Manwell -	×	Newcastle-place Mile end-road -	1767				

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	35	James Fellon -	✓	Royal-mews Pimlico - - -	1768	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	✓ (15)	15	
	40	J. Holderness -	✓	23, Change alley - - -	1769	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	50	R. Fitz Holderness	✓	- - ditto - - - -	1770	- ditto - -	✓ (15)	15	
	40	William Holderness	✓	Camden-cottages Camden-town -	1771	- ditto - -	✓ (10)	10	
	100	Thomas Townend	✓	Manchester; address, L. S. Lyne, 4, Old Broad-street.	1772	- ditto - -	✓ (20)	20	
	30	H. T. Coombe -	×	14, Ashby-st. Northampton-sq. -	1773				
	40	J. Williams -	×	30, Primrose-st. Bishopsgate-st. -	1774				
	40	John Reaves -	×	7, Great Cambridge-street -	1775				
	20	John Mainwaring -		1, Printers'-st. Earl-st. Blackfriars	1776				
	20	P. de Fontaigne Moreau.	×	Bank Coffee-house - - -	1777				
	20	Thomas Curtis -	×	Ranelagh-grove, Pimlico - -	1778				
	50	Wm. Towgood, banker	✓	Cardiff - - - - -	1779	Address, H. & G. Towgood, 13, Sweeting's-alley.	§ (40)	40	
	30	J. N. Barlin -	×	156, Whitecross-street St. Luke's	1780				
	20	James Cooke -	×	9, Suffolk-street New-road - -	1781				
5✓	5	Captain H. Moore -		Junior United Service Club -	1782	- - - -	(5)	5	
	25	George Davison -	×	3, Vincet-place Kingsland-road -	1783				
15✓	30	A. Torens - - -		Junior United Service Club -	1784	- - - -	(15)	15	
	25	Jeston Homfray -	-	Portland Club Stratford-place -	1785				
	10	John Evans -	×	1, Prince's-street Leicester square	1786				
	20	J. P. Frank -	-	2, Bow-church-yard Cheapside -	1787				
	10	Charles Sparshott	×	Church street Stoke Newington -	1788				
	25	George Johnstone	×	16, Hoxton Old town - -	1789				
	10	Morris Livesley -	-	Foundling-hospital - - -	1790				
	20	William Baker -	×	Auction-mart Coffee-house -	1791				
	30	Robert Fawsit -	×	5, Southampton-terrace Highgate	1792				
	50	Richard Haynes -	×	Northampton-arms Bartholomew-sq.	1793				
	20	Charles Barclay -	-	43, Wood-street Cheapside -	1794				
	15	Daniel Freeman -	-	90, London wall - - -	1795				
	50	Otho Penn - -	×	47, Gloster-street Hoxton - -	1796				
	100	William St. Leger	-	Barnet-gate, Barnet, Herts -	1797				
	30	James Lewis -	×	5, Mitre-square Aldgate - -	1798				
	30	J. G. Piper -	-	6, Shorter's-ct. Throgmorton-st.	1799				
	30	Wm. Packwood, junior	×	47, Old-street St. Luke's - -	1800				
	20	William Day -	×	Care of Mr. Woodland, St. James's-walk Clerkenwell.	1801				
	2	Mrs. Messey -	×	9, Constitution-row Gray's-inn-rd.	1802				
	20	Robert Barber -	-	8, Primrose-street Bishopsgate-st.	1803				
	35	James Greenwood	-	Exchange buildings - - -	1804				
	30	E. Henry - -	×	4, Clifton-street North, Finsbury	1805				
	10	C. Taylor - -	×	6, Theberton-street Islington -	1806				
	50	William Bond -	×	7, Prince's-street Leicester-square	1807				
	30	Mark Reed -	×	8, Sussex-place Southwark-bridge	1808				
	20	Isaac Laver -	×	71, Hercules-buildings Lambeth	1809				
	50	George Ridley -	-	8, St. Swithin's-lane Lombard-st.	1810				
	50	Richard Hawkshead	-	2, King-street Bartholomew-square	1811				
	25	J. W. Broderick -	×	Cross Keys St. John-street -	1812				
	20	William Piercy -	×	30, Stephen-st. Tottenham-ct.-rd.	1813				
	20	Richard Metcalf	-	10, Poultry - - - -	1814				
	15	T. Harrison -	×	1, Southampton-pl. Euston-square	1815				
	20	R. Barthrop -	-	19, Mark-lane - - - -	1816				
	20	J. Barker - -	-	19, John-street Crutched-friars -	1817				
	40	Isaac Levy - -	×	40, Brook-st., West-square, Surrey	1818				
	20	Alexander Ihler -	-	11, Lombard street - - -	1819				
	25	Francis Roberts -	-	Simpson & Thompson, engineers, Pimlico.	1820				
	50	James Judson -	✓	Liverpool - - - - -	1821	The answer to be sent Mr. C. Martin, 9, Finch-lane.	§ (20)	20	
	25	R. Irving -	×	White-cottage, Montpelier, Walworth.	1822				
	20	J. S. Stone - -	×	41, Hill-street Walworth - -	1823				
	10	S. Daniel - -	×	16, Brown's-lane Spitalfields -	1824				
	20	J. H. Harris -	×	Gloucester-street Curtain-road -	1825				
	100	James Brath -	×	10, Durham-place, West Hackney	1826				
	25	Thomas Swift -	-	10, Poultry - - - -	1827				
	30	D. Oliveira -	-	4, Great Cumberland-street -	1828				
	20	John Wade -	-	57, Holborn hill - - -	1829				
	50	Charles Moxon -	✓	69, Old Broad-street - - -	1830	Mr. Moxon - -	✓ (50)	50	
	20	W. Rawlings -	-	52, Piccadilly - - - -	1831				

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20	Henry Gingell - ✓	Henbury Gloucestershire - -	1832	Ordered by Mr. Geo. Palmer, No.— Piazza	§ (10)	10	
30	Charles Hodges - ✓	Clifton ditto - - - -	—	R. E.	§ (20)	20	
20	John Topham - ✓	New York Coffee-house Sweeting's-alley.	1833	A proprietor of land in the line of road.	✓ (10)	10	
30	J. C. Blanckenhagen -	15, Great St. Helen's - -	1834				
5	George Adams - -	11, Mansion-house-street City -	1835				
20	George H. Ayckbown ×	38, Charles-st. Parliament-street	1836	London Miss. Ass.			
10	Daniel Pretty, jun. ×	17, Brewer-street Golden-square -	1837				
50	William Watson - ✓	46, Brewer-street ditto - -	1838	Says he has property on the line.	✓ (25)	25	
20	William Benson - ×	Chandler's-place Old Kent-road	1839				
20	William Thos. Woods ✓	Albion-terrace Wandsworth -	1840	A proprietor of the Greenwich.	✓ (5)	5	
40	J. Litman - - ×	13, Prince's-st Queen-st. Holborn	1841				
25	J. Thurstone - ×	6, Stockbridge-terrace Pimlico	1842				
25	J. Jacobs - - -	6, Tintern Villa, Park Village, East, Regent's Park.	1843				
25	Meyer Levine - ×	69, Great Prescott-street - -	1844				
20	Walter Joseph - ×	Jerusalem Coffee house - -	1845				
20	Thomas N. Davison -	13, Birchin-lane - - -	1846				
20	H. Watkins - -	St. Ann's-road Kennington -	1847				
30	George Barton - ×	Grange-road Bermondsey - -	1848				
20	Mrs. Hamilton - ×	2, Kennington-lane - - -	1849				
10	William Pennyfeather ✓	54, Lombard-street - - -	1850	✓ Mr. Wyche -	(10)	10	
✓ 20	J. Dodimead - ✓ ×	21, Liverpool-st. Bishopsgate-st.	1851				
20	J. Bonney - - -	17, Finch-lane - - - -	1852				
20	George Stocker - -	13, Size-lane - - - -	1853				
20	William Westmacott -	17, Salisbury-street - - -	1854				
20	John Sinclair - -	25, Great George-st. Westminster	1855				
✓ 30	Samuel Chivers - ✓ ×	20, Devonshire-street Mile-end	1856				
30	Joseph Turnell - -	135, Upper Thames street -	1857				
40	John Burke - -	21, Russell-square - - -	1858				
(5) ✓ 40	James Stevens (W. G. ✓)	2, Shepperton-street Lower-road Islington.	1859	Recommended by Mr. Smith, New ct. Bow-la.	(5)	5	
✓ 15	Thomas Stone - ✓ ×	4, Vaughan terrace City-road -	1860				
20	T. Butler - - ✓ ×	67, Paul-street Finsbury - -	1861				
50	P. V. Gambier - -	10, Crown Office-row, Temple -	1862				
40	J. J. Downes - -	20, Hosier-lane - - -	1863				
10	Thomas Fleming ✓ ×	2, Charlotte-st. Blackfriars-road	1864				
15	Jos. Adams - ✓ ×	20, St. Martin's-crt. St. Martin's la.	1865				
20	Charles Hoskins - -	Kentish-town - - - -	1866				
20	William Ball - ✓ ×	Prince's-square Kennington-cross	1867				
20	W. B. Tucker - ✓ ×	68, St. Mary Axe - - -	1868				
100	James Moxon - ✓	69, Old Broad-street - -	1869	✓ Mr. Moxon.			
20	Edward Riddle - ✓ ×	6, Harewood-place Hampstead-rd.	1870				
15	John Mansell - ✓ ×	11, Fetter lane Fleet-street -	1871				
20	James Grellier - -	2, Copthall-buildings - -	1872				
20	J. W. Buckland, jun. -	17, Aldgate - - - -	1873				
10	M. Evans - - -	Woodbine Cottage Highgate -	1874				
20	Wm. Pulsford - ✓ ×	34, Newman-street Oxford-street	1875				
(5) ✓ 5	Edward Jones, library, (W. G. ✓)	Thomas-street Woolwich - -	1876	- - - -	(5)	5	
(50) ✓ 100	Burmand & Sandeman, (W. G. ✓)	12, Cornhill - - - -	1877	(J. Moxon, 50) -	(50)	50	
10	Peter Jordan - -	21, Nelson-street New-road -	1878				
20	E. D. Shirtliff - -	90, Chiswell-street Finsbury -	1879				
20	William Owen - -	124, Chancery-lane - - -	1880				
10	G. T. Billinge - -	Hall Stair-case Inner Temple -	1881				
20	Thomas King - -	24, Jewry-street Aldgate - -	1882				
10	William Lewis - -	Stock Exchange - - -	1883				
Cancd [100]	Jeffs. Barth - ✓	Yarmouth - - - -	1884	✓ The address, J. & F. Lyon, 2, Birchin-lane.	-	-	Cancelled.
20	John Grimes - ✓ ×	1, Brunswick-row Brunswick-st. Hackney.	1885				
10	George S. Chapman -	1, Birchin-lane - - -	1886				
10	Andrew Davidson -	34, Camomile-street - - -	1887				
20	William Hodges - -	9, America-square - - -	1888				
(10) ✓ 50	Chas. W. Stokes (W. G. 10 p' J. M. ✓)	68, Old Broad-street - -	1889	- - - -	(10)	10	
(10) ✓ 50	Charles Kemp (W. G. ✓)	8, Garden-row Gravesend - -	1890	- - - -	(10)	10	
10	James Mapleton - -	1, Clement's-lane - - -	1891				
30	Nathaniel Lloyd - -	Nailsworth, Gloucestershire -	1892	✓ Sent to W. T. Lloyd, 56, Paternoster-row.	(15)	15	
15	Henry Tomkins - -	Stock Exchange - - -	1893				

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30	John Smart - -	3, Dowgate-hill - - -	1894				
20	William Bulinan - -	27, Old Jewry - - - -	1895				
40	Jos. Aguilar - -	5, Dorset-street Manchester -	1896				
20	William Pile - -	5, Chapel-street West May-fair -	1897				
10	Mich. Martin Biggs ✓ ×	18, Portsmouth-place Kennington	1898				
(10)✓ 35	J. H. Waugh (W. G. ✓)	65, Cornhill - - - - -	1899	- - - -	(10)	10	
20	P. Bassel - - -	100, York-street Commercial-road	1900				
5	John Corri - - -	Great Pulteney-street - -	1901				
10	D. Garcia, M.D. - -	3, Mitre-square Aldgate - -	1902				
(10)✓ 30	John Ellis (W. G. 10 ✓)	9, St. Paul's church-yard - -	1903	- - - -	(10)	10	
25	Thomas Browne - -	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	1904				
5	John Smith - ✓ ×	15, Fleet-lane Farringdon-street -	1905				
15	John Hinde - -	15, Rood-lane Fenchurch-street -	1906				
(10)✓ 30	Hen. Reimer (W.G. 10 ✓)	Catherine-court Trinity-square -	1907	- - - -	(10)	10	
40	John Watherstone -	Rye-lane Peckham - - -	1908				
100	Edward Wrench - ✓	London-bridge - - - -	1909	✓ Mr. Wyche - -	(100)	100	
10	Thomas Parkyns ✓ ×	18, King-street Northampton-sq.	1910				
30	F. Jones - - ✓ ×	42, Beaumont-square Mile-end -	1911				
25	John Davies - ✓ ×	29, Mitre-street Aldgate - -	1912				
30	W. H. Holyland - ✓ ×	5, Fountain-terrace Camberwell -	1913				
20	J. H. Luard - ✓ ×	7, Cook's-court Carey-street -	1914				
40	John Crafter - -	28, Nicholas-lane - - -	1915				
20	J. T. Battier - -	20, Mincing-lane - - -	1916				
10	F. Ferguson Camroux ✓	1, Clement's-lane - - -	1917	✓ Recommended by Mr. Walter.	(10)	10	
35	John Ansell - ✓ ×	29, Bevis Marks - - -	1918				
30	Elliott L. Aarons - ✓ ×	St. James's-place Aldgate - -	1919				
20	Robert Stokes - ✓ ×	108, London-road Southwark -	1920				
20	A. Oldaker - ✓ ×	King's Head Tavern, Threadneedle-street.	1921				
25	Francis Burnand ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	1922	✓ Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	15)	15	
30	John D. Johnston ✓ ×	2, Waterloo-pl. Commercial-road Limehouse.	1923				
30	J. Alexander - ✓ ×	Chiswell-street - - - -	1924				
(15)✓ 30 or 40	Henry Longcluse - (W. G. 15 ✓)	29, Connaught-terrace Edgeware-road.	1925	Highly respectable, R. L. Not ordered by H. Longcluse.	-	[15]	Cancelled.
40	Selim Franklyn - -	41, Finsbury-square - - -	1926				
15	Eliza Hall - - ✓ ×	16, Carburton-street Fitzroy-sq.	1927				
20	W. J. Clark - ✓ ×	35, Waterloo-road Lambeth -	1928				
20	George White - ✓ ×	37, Nottingham-pl. Commercial-rd.	1929				
15	Mrs. Daniel - ✓ ×	2, Paradise-row Bethnal-green -	1930				
(10)✓ 20	Robt. Robertson, senior, (W. G. 10 ✓)	Royal Exchange Assurance Office	1931	- - - -	(10)	10	
30	A. F. Jessemin - ✓ ×	16, Belle Vue-place, Mile-end-road.	1932				
30	William Cox - -	85, Lombard-street - - -	1933				
30	Robert Davis - -	17, Upper Belgrave-pl. Belgrave-square.	1934				
25	George Thompson ✓ ×	1, St. Mary Axe - - -	1935				
50	W. Andrews - -	Brentford - - - -	1936				
30	D. Eicke - - ✓ ×	New England Coffee-house -	1937				
20	T. O. Hooper - -	5, Church-court Clement's-lane -	1938				
10	P. Warburton - ✓ ×	9, New Church-street Bermondsey	1939				
10	James F. Wulff - ✓ ×	2, Hammet-street Minories -	1940				
20	Michael Kelly - ✓ ×	2, Charlotte-street Blackfriars-rd.	1941	Refers to Mr. Hilles, Mark-lane.			
5	E. Dickenson - ✓ ×	4, Church-street Hackney - -	1942				
(10)✓ 20	Dr. George Sigmond, (W. G. 10 ✓)	24, Dover-street Piccadilly -	1943	- - - -	(10)	10	
10	J. Atwell - - ✓	192, Kingsland-road Shoreditch	§1944	✓ an original subscriber	(5)	5	
20	G. Hymer - - ✓ ×	6, York-square Commercial-road	1945				
30	George Simpson - -	17, Liverpool-street Bishopsgate	1946				
(10)✓ 20	J. Whinstone, surgeon, (W. G. 10 ✓)	Charterhouse-square - - -	1947	- - - -	-	[10]	Cancelled.
8	C. F. Naegeli - -	128, Grove-street Camden-town -	1948				
25	Judah Pariente - ✓ ×	17, Bury-street St. Mary Axe -	1949				
40	Nathan Nathaniel ✓ ×	87, Upper East Smithfield - -	1950				
50	J. H. Peach - ✓ ×	Willow-cottage Ball's Pond-road	1951				
50	Stephen Cannon - -	Stock Exchange - - -	1952				
10	Thomas M. Turner ✓	- ditto - - - -	§1953	✓ Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun., special.	(10)	10	

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100	Henry Tucker - ✓	13, Change-alley - - -	§1954	✓ Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun. special.	(50)	50	
20	Daniel Tyru - ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	§1955	✓ - - ditto - -	(10)	10	
10	R. W. Cohen - ✓	- ditto - - - -	§1956	6✓ - ditto - -	(10)	10	
50	Thomas Ouchterlony ✓	7, Austin-friars - - -	§1957	✓ - - ditto - -	(20)	20	
(30)✓ 300	Henry Woodfall, junior, (W. G. 50 ✓)	Jerusalem Coffee house - -	1958	- - - - -	(30	30	
35	William Herring -	Worthing, to the care of Mr. R. Gould, Bruton's Coffee-house, Newgate-market.	1959				
20	Benjamin Dudfield -	9, St. Dunstan's-hill Tower-street	1960				
(50)✓ 100	Thomas Wilson, esquire, (W. G. 50 ✓)	Jeffrey's-square - - -	1961	Wm. Green - -	(50)	50	
(20)✓ 40	E. Maude, (W. G. 20 ✓)	32, Great Winchester-street -	1962	- (ditto) - -	(20)	20	
1	William Thonbran ✓ ×	17, Greenhill-rents Smithfield-bars	1963				
(10)✓ 10	Francis Geo. Hamilton, (W. G. 10 ✓)	40, Broad-street-buildings -	1964	- - - -	(10)	10	
20	James Lyon - ✓ ×	1, Little St. Mary Axe - -	1965				
200	Thomas Manning ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	§1966	✓ Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun., especial.	(200)	200	
	O. Alger, esq.						
50	[William Watkinson] ✓	Warmest-mill Guildford - -	§1967	✓ - - - - -	(20)	20	
50	Maldis - - ✓ ×	11, Gray's-Inn-terrace - -	1968				
20	George Glover - ✓ ×	6, Kingsland-green - - -	1969	To be sent to John Hockley, esq., 2, Copthall-court Throgmorton-street.			
10	William Rattenbury ✓ ×	37, Richmond-st. Lambeth-road -	1970				
10 or 15	George Hillier - ✓ ×	5, King-st. Bath-street City-road	1971				
10	J. Harry Cromwell ✓ Russell.	Sittingbourne - - - -	§1972	✓ On the line, wishes 30 more. No. 2040.			
30	Henry Moore - ✓ ×	2, St. Matthew's-place Brixton -	1973				
30	Charles Swift - -	17, Milk-street - - - -	1974				
40	Charles B. Kelham -	46, Botolph-lane - - -	1975				
20	Edward Woods - ✓ ×	Southampton wharf Camden-town	1976				
20	William Edwards ✓ ×	16, St. John's-hill Ratcliff-highway	1977				
10	William Robson - -	22, Foley-street Portland-place -	1978				
20	G. Durand Putland ✓ ×	6, St Benet's-pl. Gracechurch-st.	1979				
50	Thomas Flinn - ✓ ×	Stock Exchange - - -	1980	Brought in by one of the principal attendants of the Greenwich Railway, refers to Mr. Walter.			
(10)✓ 50	Chas. Hill (W. G. 10 ✓)	23, Threadneedle-street - -	1981	(✓) - - - -	(10)	10	
10	John Hubbard - ✓ ×	New Leather-market Tavern Bermondsey.	§1982	A proprietor in the Greenwich.	(5)	5	
50	William Ticehurst (✓)	- - - - - - -	§1983	Recommended by Dr. Rowe, special. (✓)	(50)	50	
10	William Johnson -	30, Bankside - - - -	1984	Refers to his agents, Ashley & Son, Regent-street.			
30 or 40	Thomas Lucas - -	27, Trinity-square Tower-hill -	1985				
10	Wm. Thomas Barnes -	St. Mary-at-Hill - - -	1986				
40	J. W. Harrison - -	2, Clement-court Milk-street -	1987				
10	Rev. Wm. Vernon ✓	Grindleton, Yorkshire - -	1988	✓ To be sent to H. & E. Gauntlett, 73, Queen-st. Cheapside.	(10)	10	
25	John Pitt - - -	37, Charles-street Westminster -	1989				
20	George Shergold -	16, Grenville-st. Brunswick-square	1990				
10	Frederick Thomas -	26, Hyde street Bloomsbury -	1991				
30	F. Arnold Berengere -	5, Peckham-grove Camberwell -	1992				
30	Frederick Swift - -	17, Milk-street Cheapside - -	1993				
30	W. Hardine - -	40, Basinghall-street - - -	1994				
5	John Beaumont - ✓	2, Northampton-square - -	1995	✓ Holds the same quantity in the Greenwich and Croydon.	(5)	5	
(15)✓ 20	J. P. Anstice (W. G. 15 ✓)	77, Cornhill - - - -	1996	(✓) - - - -	-	[15]	Cancelled
50	P. Toulon - - -	12, Southampton-buildings, Chancery-lane.	1997				
10	Nathaniel Thompson ✓	2, Angel-court Throgmorton-street	1998	✓ Recommended by Mr. Walter.	(10)	10	
10	Anthony Moir - ✓	- ditto - - - -	1999	✓ - ditto - -	(10)	10	
10	Joseph Fearn - - ✓	- ditto - - - -	2000	✓ - ditto - -	(10)	10	
15	John Corley, esq. - ✓	Dublin; ordered by H. J. Johnston, 15, Bush-lane.	2001	✓ Recommended by Messrs. Moxon and secretary.			

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15	Frances Shipton - -	28, Ely-place - - - -	2002	Instead of Mrs. Hammond, Watford; *see* No.	(10)	10	
(10) ✓ 20	J. Titterton (W. G. 10 ✓)	Tulse-hill Brixton - - -	2003	Refers to Williams, bankers, and Cappers, Crosby-square, a steam boat proprietor.	(10)	10	
20	Robt. W. Moore for John Jenner Mogg, Bristol - (W. G. 20 ✓)	Stock Exchange - - -	2004	(✓)			
(20) ✓ 20	W. Foord Mogg, Bristol - -	- ditto - - - - -	2005	(✓) - - - -	(20)	20	
25	R. Dovey - - -	23, High-street Kensington -	2006				
(15) ✓ 25	W. E. Tuke (W. G. 15 ✓)	4, Warnford-court - - -	2007	- - - - -	(15)	15	
10	W. Walmer (W. G. 10 ✓)	Consol-office Bank - - -	2008				
40	—— Corran, barrister ✓	Gravesend - - - -	2009	✓ Recommended by Mr. Twells.	-	40	
[10] ✓ 50	Major Justinian Nutt, (W. G. 10 ✓)	15, Lansdowne-crescent Cheltenham.	2010				
20	O. J. Greve - -	47, Norton-street Fitzroy-square	2011				
50	J. P. Blennerhassett ✓	1, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	2012	✓ Recommmended by Lieut. Brothers.	(20)	20	
(Cancd) 100	Hon. Arthur Arundell ✓	- - - - - - -	2013	✓			
50	Mrs. Burridge - ✓	(This is to be in Mr. Neave's name. ✓)	–	✓ Ordered by (*Capt.) Henry Jones.	(50)	50	
(5) ✓ 5	Henry Whiffen (W. G. 5 ✓)	Deptford - - - - -	2014	Refers to Mr. Walter.	(5)	5	
100	Frances Hall - -	9, Upper Baker-street - -	2015				
30	R. S. Boughton - -	17, Finch-lane Cornhill - -	2016				
80	T. K. Hooper - -	20, Queenhithe Upper Thames-st.	2017				
20	—— Beckenham - -	21, - ditto - - ditto -	–				
50 50	Major Justinian Nutt ✓	- - - - - - -	2018	✓ Recommended by Mr. Walter.	(50)	50	
20	Wm. Cardozo - ✓	St. Helen's-place - - -	2019	✓ - ditto -	(10)	10	
30	C. Wheatley - -	2, Merchant's-place Brompton-sq.	2020				
(2) ✓ 2	Rich. Gunter (W. G. 2 ✓)	7, Berkeley-square - - -	2021	- - - -	(2)	2	
(20) ✓ 100	Alfred Gallini, esq., (W. G. 20 ✓)	Yettendon-manor Berkshire -	2022	✓ The reply to be sent to the Rev. P. O'Loughlin, Post-office, Kensington.	(20)	20	
20	George Hill (W. G. 10 ✓)	6, Great Winchester-street, at Messrs. Melhuish & Grey.	2023				
100	P. H. Abbott - ✓	35, Brunswick-square - -	2024	✓ Recommended by Mr. Wyche.	(100)	100	
100	Lawrence, Whitmore & Pearce. ✓	Auction Mart - - - -	2025	✓ Recommended by Mr. Twells.	80)	80	
20	J. C. Henderson - -	55, Baldwyn-street City-road -	2026				
20	Joseph A. Batho - -	16, Aldgate High-street - -	2027				
30	John Chisholm - -	2, Abchurch-lane - - -	2028				
10	Joseph Every - ×	2, Prospect-pl. Stoke Newington	2029				
20	Jos. Rawlins (W. G. 10 ✓)	42, Old Broad-street - -	2030				
50	C. Blunt - - ✓ ×	15, Richmond-street St. Luke -	2031				
50	Miss Ansell - ✓ ×	13, Bury-street, St. Mary Axe -	2032				
40	J. Clayton (W. G. 15 ✓)	Gravesend - - - -	2033	Care of Mr. Evans, Little Mitchell-street, Old-street.			
40	Thomas Lever - -	9, Lawrence-lane - - -	2034	Recommended by Mr. Smith, New-court, Bow-lane.			
20	John Nicholson - -	122, Wood-street Cheapside -	2035				
10	C. Hayborne. - -	69, Coleman-street - - -	2036				
(Cancd) 50	—— Wiltshire - ✓	- - - - - - -	§2037	✓ Recommended by Mr. Neave.			
(Ditto) 100	W. Augustus Neave ✓	- - - - - - -	§ –	✓ - ditto.			
20	A. Ansell - - -	Wood-street Cheapside - -	2038				
5	George Griffin - ✓ ×	1, Craven-buildings City-road -	2039				
30	J. Henry Cromwell Russell. ✓	Sittingbourne - - - -	§2040	✓ In addition to 10 shares; *see* No. 972.	(30)	30	
40	Lewis Aarons - -	St. James-place Aldgate - -	2041				
20	John Adams - ✓ ×	12, Green-street Turner-street Commercial-road.	2042				
5	R. H. Collard - ✓	2, Waterloo-place Montpelier Bristol.	2043	✓ To be sent to Robarts, Curtis & Co.	-	[5]	Cancelled. ✓
20	S. Rucker & Son ✓	12, Great Tower-street - -	2044	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	(20)	20	

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5	Jos. Vernon (W. G. 5 ✓)	9, Terrace New Palace-yard -	2045				
100	—— Forster - ✓	3, Barge-yard Lombard-street -	§2046	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	(30)	30	
50	George Borradaile ✓	5, Barge-yard, Bucklersbury -	§2047	✓ Ditto, special -	(50)	50	
15	G. W. Stone - -	5, Walbrook - - - -	2048				
50	Thomas Charles Powell	71, Newgate-street - - -	2049				
20	G. H. Keelin - ✓	- - - - - - -	§2050	✓ Recommended by Robt. Sutton, jun.	(20)	20	
20	Basil Montague, esq. ✓	Robert Sutton, Sons & Co. -	§2051	✓ Ditto, special -	(20)	20	
20	Joseph Carey - ✓ ×	18, Wharf Macclesfield-street -	2052				
10	G. Barnett - ✓ ×	49, Jewin-street Aldersgate-street	2053				
10	Robert Smith - ✓ ×	16, Ann-street Waterloo-road -	2054				
5	Matthew E. Greeley -	- - - - - - -	2055				
20	John Mills - - ✓ ×	3, Brunswick-place City-road -	2056				
15	B. Pride - - ✓ ×	18, Castle street Holborn - -	2057				
10	B. Lucas - - ✓ ×	17, Seymour-street Euston-square	2058				
20	P. H. Read - ✓ ×	3, Gravel-lane Southwark - -	2059				
15	R. Baker - - -	17, Basing-lane - - - -	2060				
10	John Anderson - -	46, Chapel-street Pentonville -	2061				
35	B. Bruce - - ✓ ×	52, Cloudesley-terrace, Islington	2062				
50	H. Waymouth - ✓	Bryanstone-square - - -	§2063	✓ Recommended by Wm. Borradaile and Robt. Sutton, esq.	(50)	50	
25	J. Salkeld - - ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	§2064	✓ Recommended by Mr. Robt. Sutton, jun.	(10)	10	
5	Capt. Arch. Duff, R. N., (W. G. 5 ✓)	at J. P. Muspratt, 9, New Broad-street.	2065				
10	J. B. Gooch (W. G. 5 ✓)	Gravesend - - - -	2066				
80	Joseph Mitton - ✓	Plumstead - - - -	§2067	✓ A proprietor on the line of road.	(50)	50	
50	James Johnston - ✓	87, Cornhill - - - -	§2068	✓ Ditto in the Greenwich and Croydon.	(30)	30	
20	Gilbert Stephens, esq. ✓	Doughty-street - - -	§2069	✓ Recommended by Mr. R. Sutton, jun.	(20)	20	
10	James R. Ellis - -	12, Austin-friars - - -	2070				
15	James Warren - -	72, Queen-street Cheapside -	2071				
10	William Young - ✓ ×	27, High-street, Liverpool-road Islington.	2072				
30	Alexander Allen - -	9, Austin-friars - - -	2073				
10	Thomas Mitchell ✓ ×	North and South American Coffee-house.	2074				
20	J. C. Matthews - ✓ ×	4, West-place Ratcliffe-row Bath-street.	2075				
10	J. W. Barnett - -	37, Wood-street Cheapside -	2076	In addition to 10, *see* No.			
90	—— Leaf - - -	- ditto - - - - - -	—	- ditto, ditto.			
50	J. Brasseur - - -	147, Fenchurch-street - -	2077				
10	Wm. John M'Donald ✓	54, Myddleton-square - -	§2078	✓ Refers to Mr. Twells	(5)	5	
20	F. G. Banner - ✓ ×	27, Aldersgate-street - -	2079				
30	J. Coronel - - ✓ ×	82, Leman-street - - -	2080				
25	Thomas North - ✓ ×	22, Cross-street Islington - -	2081				
10	J. Willingale - ✓ ×	11, Goodman's-yard Minories -	2082				
25	John Moore - -	1, Arthur-street East King William-street.	2083				
20	Margaret Coleman -	28, Berners-street Oxford-street -	2084				
20	A. Forty - - ✓ ×	2, Raven-row Whitechapel -	2085				
20	Jos. H. Mucklow - ✓ ×	5, Richmond-buildings Soho -	2086				
30	J. M. Marshall - -	54, Skinner-street Snowhill -	2087				
12	Philip Smith - -	29, Minories - - - -	2088				
30	Arthur Shepsley - -	18, George-street Tower-hill -	2089				
100	M. A. Bryant - -	67, St. James's-street - -	§2090	T. E. Wyche.			
30	Mrs. Mary Anne Wyche ✓	Warminster - - - -	2091	✓ - - - - -	(30)	30	
20	James Rocke - -	46, Foley-street Portland-place -	2092				
30	John S. Hammock ✓ ×	Tredegar-square Mile-end - -	2093				
50	E. Bowill - - ✓ ×	Shacklewell - - - -	2094				
30	Thomas Anderson ✓ ×	31, Southampton-bdgs. Chancery-la.	2095				
30 or 50	Owen Ryan - ✓	Dublin - - - - - -	§2096	✓ Address[d] to Mr. Twells	(30)	30	
295	S ndrie Robson Beilby ✓	Birmingham - - - -	2097	✓ - - - - -	(145)	160	15 cancelled.
110	William Johnson, oil-merchant. ✓	Temple-street Bristol - -	2098	✓ - - - - -	(30)	30	
20	G. Smith - - ✓	Salisbury Bank - - -	2099	✓ - - - - -	(20)	20	
20	R. H. Field, esq., clerk ✓	Ashley Rectory, Cirencester -	2100	✓ - - - - -	-	[10]	Cancelled. ✓
25	John Green - ✓	Dean's Marsh-yard Bristol -	2101	✓ - - - - -	(10)	10	
15	John Richards, jun. ✓	Reading - - - - -	2102	✓ In addition to 10, *see* No. (*1199.)			

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50	Henry Harford - ✓	14, Bath-street Bath - -	2103	✓ - - - -	(40)	40	
100	John Leeming, spinner ✓	Manchester - - - -	2104	✓ - - - -	–	[40]	Cancelled. ✓
50	Thomas Hilton - ✓	Half-moon-street Manchester -	2105	✓ - - - -	(20)	20	
40	Captain J. R. Pidding ✓	33, Dean-street Brighton - -	2106	✓			
10	J. H. Bower - ✓	Union-bank Brighton - -	2107	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
5	Joseph Clarke - ✓	Leicester - - - -	2108	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
50	G. Adams - - ✓	4, East-cliff Brighton - -	2109	✓ - - - -	(20)	20	
30	R. B. Giles - ✓	Bristol - - - - -	2110	✓ Send an answer to ———, Waterloo-house, Pall-mall.	(10)	10	
5	R. L. Townsend - ✓	St. Michael's near Liverpool -	2111	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
20	Robert Marshall - ✓	5, St. James's-road - ditto -	2112	✓ - - - -	(10)	10	
10	William Child - ✓	Sarum - - - - -	2113	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
20	John Toleken - ✓	Grand-parade Cork - - -	2114	✓			
50	Richard Robinson ✓	Bristol - - - - -	2115	✓ - - - -	(20)	20	
300	Richard Ferris - ✓	ditto - - - - -	2116	✓ In addition to 100, (*see* No. *560.)			
10	J. Dennis - - ✓	Salisbury-bank - - - -	2117	✓ - - - -	(10)	10	
50	Willlam Clubb - ✓	Austrey near Atherstone, Warwick	2118	✓			
22	Capt. Montagu Montagu, R.N. ✓	Bath - - - - -	2119	✓ Ordered by Lieut. Chas. Brandt, R.N.	(10)	10	
30	Robert Folthorp - -	17, Cornhill - - - -	2120	In addition to 20. *see* No. 37; steam-boat proprietor.			
50	Andrew Cazalar - -	21, Grosvenor-buildings Bath -	2121				
20	John Crawford - -	31, Langton-street Bristol - -	2122				
100	John Bright - ✓	Skeffington, Market Harbro' -	2123	✓ - - - -	(20)	20	
20	Joseph Bright - ✓	- - ditto - - - -	–	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
10	C. Hill - - ✓	Hathway's New-office - -	§2124	✓ An original proprietor of 20 shares.	(5)	5	
10	Donald Nicholson ✓	Liverpool - - - - -	§2125	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	(10)	10	
5	Eliza Taylor - -	Upper Trinity-street Birmingham	2126				
5	John Dallaway - ✓	131, New-street - - ditto -	§2127	✓ Recommended by Mr. Twells.	(5)	5	
50	John Yates - ✓	London-street Ratcliff-cross -	§2128	✓ - ditto.			
15	George Turner - ✓	New-street Birmingham - -	§2129	✓ - ditto - -	(10)	10	
10	Charles Taylor - ✓	Upper Trinity-street, ditto -	2130	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
5	Charlotte Dallaway ✓	Leamington-terrace Ravenhurst-street, Birmingham.	2131	✓			
10	Mr. Vallance, sen. ✓	Sittingbourn - - - -	2132	✓ Recommended by Mr. Twells.	(10)	10	
10	T. T. Vallance - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	§ –	✓ - ditto - -	(10)	10	
5	John Hickling - ✓	Bankdale and Birmingham -	§2133	✓ - ditto - -	(5)	5	
10	Charles Jagger - ✓	Bankdale-end - ditto - -	§2134	✓ - ditto - -	(5)	5	
5	Joseph Jagger - ✓	Soho-hill Handsworth, ditto -	§2135	✓ - ditto - -	(5)	5	
50	Francis Fisher - ✓	3, Austin-friars - - -	§2136	✓ William Green	(10)	10	
30	James Harwood - ✓	Birmingham - - - -	2137	✓ - - - -	(10)	10	
50	James Henderson ✓	4, Whitehall - - - -	§2138	✓ Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	(50)	50	
100	J. White - - ✓	39, Old Broad-street - -	§2139	✓ - ditto - -	(50)	50	
100	Charles Smith - ✓	43, Mincing-lane - - -	§2140	✓ Refers to Mr. Walter.	(20)	20	
20	Fitz Despard, R.N. ✓ ×	3, Stamford-place York-rd. Westminster.	2141				
40	Alfred A. Hort - -	6, South-street Finsbury - -	2142				
50	Josh. Cockerton, jun. ✓	2, Austin-friars - - -	§2143	✓ Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	(50)	50	
40	John Maltby - ✓	78, Old Broad-street - -	§2144	✓ - ditto - -	(28)	28	
50	Thomas Helps - ✓	City of London Club - -	§2145	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.	(30)	30	
2	Richard Taylor - ✓	at Mr. E. Jones, chemist, Temple-backs Bristol.	2146	✓ - - - - -	–	[2]	Cancelled. ✓
(20) ✓ 25	Enoch Gerrard, accountant. (✓)	Chester - - - - -	§2147	✓ Recommended by Mr. Phillpotts; remits 30 *l.* note.	(25)	25	
5	William Gover Gray ✓	16, Axford-buildings Bath -	2148	✓ Remits an order upon Price & Bolton.	(5)	5	
20	Thomas Gittins - ✓	Manchester - - - -	2149	✓	(10)	10	
10	John Pickering - ✓	- ditto - - - - -	–	✓ Ordered by H. C. Morris, 2d No.	(10)	10	
30	James M'Donald ✓	18, Bentley-street Gravesend -	2150	✓ - - - -	(10)	10	
30	John Chatterton ✓	14, Bath-street - ditto -	2151	✓ - - - -	(10)	10	
5	J. W. Macklin, jun. ✓	Salisbury - - - -	2152	✓ - - - -	(5)	5	
20	James Ashwick - ✓	Birmingham - - - -	2153	✓ - - - -	–	[5]	Cancelled. ✓

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	30	John Hare, jun. - ✓	Bristol - - - - -	2154	✓ - - - - -	(10)	10	
(50) ✓	100	J. Short - - (✓)	Stock Exchange - - -	2155	(✓) Mr. R. Sutton, jr. 50	(50)	50	
	50	D. Wright (W. G. 15 ✓)	Irongate Lower-wharf - -	2156				
	50	F. W. Wright (W. G. 15 ✓)	- - ditto - - - -	–				
	50	Jos. Young (W. G. 10 ✓)	Stock Exchange - - -	2157				
	40	Daniel Robertson ✓	Levant-house St. Helen's-place -	2158	✓ Recommended by Mr. Twells.	(40)	40	
	100	Edwin Pemberton ✓	Grosvenor-house Edgbaston Birmingham.	2159	✓ - ditto - -	(30)	30	
	30	Alex. Young (W. G. 10 ✓)	Stock Exchange - - -	2160				
	40	Wm. Styam (W. G. 10 ✓)	- ditto - - - - -	2161				
	30	John Robson (W. G. 10 ✓)	- ditto - - - - -	2162				
	20	John Rennington - ✓	4, Austin-friars - - -	2163	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	–	20	
before	50	Frederick Borradaile, ✓ The Rev.	Clapham-common - - -	2164	✓ Recommended by Mr. Borradaile before entered; *See* 610.			
	20	A. Watt - - ✓	Levant house St. Helen's place -	–	✓ Recommended by Lieut.-col. Leith Hay, M.P.	(20)	20	
	50	Thomas Powell - ✓	Stock Exchange - - -	2165	✓ Recommended by R. Sutton, jun., esq., special.	(50)	50	
	50	Bleadon & Co. - ✓	London Tavern - - -	2166	✓ Recommended by Mr. Moxon, at the request of Mr. Kingscote, special.	–	50	
	50	Paul Storr - - ✓	No letter - - - -	2167	✓ Recommended by Col. Utterton, per Mr. Brothers.	(50)	50	
	10	Edw. Charlton Pryer ✓	at Mr. Jeffkins - - -	2168	✓ Recommended by John Brothers, esq.	(10)	10	
40 ✓	100	Northover and Jones, (40, Mr. Sutton ✓)	Stock Exchange - - -	2169	Recommended by Mr. Sutton, jun., 40.	(40)	40	
50 ✓	50	Robert Sutton - ✓	7, Castle-alley - - - -	2170	An original proprietor; these in addition to old shares.	(50)	50	
50 ✓	50	James Sutton - -	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	(50)	50	
5 ✓	5	Mrs. Elizabeth Willans	2, Paragon-place New Kent ✓	2171	William Green -	(5)	5	
20 ✓	20	Miss Jane Green -	- - ditto - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	(20)	20	
10 ✓	10	James Wentenhall -	Stock Exchange - - -	2172	- - ditto - -	(10)	10	
5 ✓	5	F. F. Moore, care of B. Sheill.	Paternoster-row - - -	2173	- - - - -	(5)	5	
10 ✓	10	Margaret Wright, ditto	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - - -	(10)	10	
10 ✓	10	James Partridge, ditto	- ditto - - - - -	–	- - - - -	(10)	10	
Col. H. list [50] ✓	50	John Melville, esq. (✓)	Levant-house St. Helen's place -	–	Col. Hay's list, special	(50)	50	
[50] ✓	50	W. H. Sharp - (✓)	- - ditto - - - -	–	- - ditto - -	(50)	50	
[100] ✓	100	T. Tringham Smith (✓)	2, Copthall-court - - -	–	- - ditto, an original subscriber.	(100)	100	
25 ✓	25	Sim. Ribas - -	69, Old Broad-street - -	2174	Recommended by Mr. Moxon, special.	(25)	25	
10 ✓	30	W. H. Vernon - -	25, Parrock-street Gravesend -	2175	- - - - -	(10)	10	
10 ✓	40	Daniel Gibson - -	49, St. George's-terrace, ditto -	2176	- - - - -	–	[10]	Cancelled. ✓
10 ✓	30	M. Wright - - -	Shorne, near Gravesend - -	2177	- - - - -	(10)	10	
[20] ✓ (Cancelled)	20	—— Breese, esq. ✓	Brentwood Essex - - -	2178	Recommended by Capt. Jones.			
[20] ✓ (Cancelled)	20	Mrs. Mary Bott - ✓	Rumford - - - -	2179				
20 ✓	20	James Row - ✓	St. Thomas Apostle - - -	2180	Recommended by Mr. Borradaile, special.	(20)	20	
20 ✓	20	Thomas Helps - ✓	Balham Surrey - - -	–	- - ditto - -	(20)	20	
100 ✓	100	John Robert Hall ✓	Stockbridge-terrace Pimlico -	2181	William Green -	(100)	100	
10 ✓	10	Richard Gude - ✓	George-yard Lombard-street -	2182	- - ditto, (taken by W. G.)	(10)	(10)	[10] Canc^{d}.
10 ✓	20	Henry Shütze, esq. -	Dresden - - - - -	2183	William Green -	–	[10]	Cancelled.
✓	10	Charles Gooch - -	Messrs. Cowpers of St. Paul's churchyard.	2184	Col. Landmann, and in his list.	–	10	
✓	50	Lydia A. Landmann -	Hampstead - - - -	2185	- - ditto - -	(50)	50	
✓	100	Henry Kingscote -	Bank-buildings - - -	2186				
	20	R. Parsons - -	Pall-mall - - - -	2187	In Capt. Page's list -	(20)	20	
10	25	J. C. S. Stead - -	25, Alfred-place Windmill-street Gravesend.	2188	J. T. - - -	–	[10]	Cancelled.
10	20	W. A. Coomb - -	44, St. George's-ter. Gravesend -	2189	J. T. - - -	–	[10]	Cancelled.
10	20	A. L. Vogal - -	8, Devonshire-square - -	2190	William Green -	(10)	10	

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	20	Josiah Wilson, esq. -	Cateaton-street - - -	2191	- - - -	(20)	20	
	40	Mr. Meek - - -	27, Cateaton-street - - -	2192	Mr. R. Sutton - -	(40)	40	
✓10	10	— Britten - - -	- - ditto - - - -	2193	37, Cateaton-street, R. S., jun.	(10)	10	
✓10	10	George Goldsmid -	Stock Exchange - - -	2194	- ditto - -	(10)	10	
✓15	15	William Goldsmid -	- ditto - - - -	2195	- ditto - -	(15)	15	
✓20	20	Saml. Philip [John] Rickman - -	George-yard, Lombard-street -	2196	Recommended by Mr. Walter.	(20)	20	
50	50	Rev. Wm. Slade - -	- - - - - -	2197	(*T. E. Wyche) -	(50)	50	
20	50	Francis M. Franco -	Lloyd's Subscription-room -	2198	- - - -	-	[20]	Cancelled.
✓25	25	Henry Smith - -	67, Torrington-square - -	2199	R. S., jun. - -	✓(25)	25	
✓ 5	5	William Dorrington -	Auction Mart Coffee-house -	2200	- - - -	(5)	5	
✓25	25	—— Morer - -	- - - - - -	2201	per R. Sutton, jun. -	(25)	25	
✓10	10	B. Mounteney - -	26, Throgmorton-street - -	2202	- - - -	(10)	10	
✓20	20	J. A. Walker - -	73, Lombard-street - - -	2203	- - - -	(20)	20	
✓10	10	Charles Powell - -	Cheapside - - - -	2203	× - - -	(10)	10	
✓10	10	Mr. Bruce - -	Pentonville - - - -	2204	- - - -	(10)	10	
✓ 5	5	John Anderson - -	- ditto - - - -	2205	- - - -	(5)	5	
✓30	30	T. T. Smith - -	- - - - - -	2206	- - - -	(30)	30	
	25	—— Mackenzie -	- - - - - -	2207	- - - -	(25)	25	
	10	Francis Thos. Gayling	6, Earl-street, Blackfriars - -	2208	- - - -	(10)	10	
	10	Wm. H. Thomas -	at Mr. Hathway's, Cornhill -	2209	- - - -	(10)	10	
	15	A. H. Smith - -	43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park -	2210	- - - -	(15)	15	
	✓15	R. G. Spurring - -	Stock Exchange - - -	2211	×× 2211 - -	(15)	15	
	✓15	R. W. Carden - -	11, Throgmorton-street - -	2112	,, - - -	(15)	15	
	✓15	Robert Johnston -	Stock Exchange - - -	2113	,, - - -	(15)	15	
	10	J. W. Welch - -	35, New Broad-street - -	2114	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	✓15	Thomas Gotobed -	82, Great Russell-street - -	2115	,, - - -	(15)	15	
	10	Mrs. Shirriff - -	- - - - - -	2116	Mr. Deare - -	(10)	10	
	20	Mrs. Hall - - -	9, Union-court Broad-street -	2117	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	20	Mrs. Harryson - -	3, Walbrook-buildings - -	2118	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	✓40	Edward Suter - -	38, Borough - - - -	2119	,, - - -	(40)	40	
	✓10	Abraham Lyon Moses -	2, Aldgate - - - -	2120	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	20	Mr. O. Alger - -	[J. H. Arthur] - - - -	2121	,, - - -	(20)	20	✓
	15	J. H. Arthur - -	Dowgate-hill - - - -	2122	,, - - -	-	[15]	Cancelled. ✓
	20	Robert Smith - -	New-court Bow-lane - -	2123	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	15	Messrs. Bleadon & Co.	London Tavern - - -	2124	,, - - -	(15)	15	
	15	John A. Chowne -	- - - - - -	2125	Mr. T. Moxon -	(15)	15	
	40	F. Holloday - -	- - - - - -	2126	Deposit remitted -	(40)	40	
	10	John Bailey - -	28, Commercial Sale-rooms -	2127	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	10	Henry John Rucker -	14, Mincing-lane - - -	2128	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	10	—— Windle - -	- - - - - -	2129	Care of Mr. Buckland	(10)	10	
	✓10	Robert Wood - -	Penton-place Walworth - -	2130	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	10	T. Barnes - - -	St. Mary-hill - - - -	2131	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	10	Bryant —— - -	- - - - - -	2132	,, - - -	-	[10]	Cancelled. ✓
	20	T. C. Hoe - -	70, Mark-lane - - - -	2133	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	50	Wm. Griffin - -	196, Shoreditch - - -	2134	,, - - -	(50)	50	
	✓30	H. Hendricks - -	2, Copthall chambers - -	2135	,, - - -	(30)	30	
	20	J. S. Clapham - -	Wood-street Cheapside - -	2136	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	5	William Hay - -	Toms Coffee-house - - -	a2137	,, per Lieut. Brothers	(5)	5	
	15	—— Emerson - -	- - - - - -	2138	,, per Mr. Borradaile	(15)	15	
	20	F. M. Franco - -	Lloyd's - - - - -	2139	,, - - -	(20)	20	
	✓10	Andrew Froome - -	98, St. John-street-road, near the Angel, Islington.	2140	,, - - -	(10)	10	
	100	Rev. S. Lloyd - -	- - - - - -	2141	,, - - -	(100)	100	
	125	J. Moxon - - -	- - - - - -	2242	Old subscriber -	(125)	125	
	125	J. F. Manbert - -	- - - - - -	2243	- — - -	(125)	125	
	100	(*G. Landmann's friend)	- - - - - -	2244	- — - -	(100)	100	
	100	James Valance - -	- - - - - -	2245	- — - -	(100)	100	
	50	George Walter - -	- - - - - -	2246	- — - -	(50)	50	
	50	F. Scheer - - -	- - - - - -	2247	- — - -	(50)	50	
	100	John Twells - -	- - - - - -	2248	- — - -	(100)	100	
	50	G. Sutton - - -	- - - - - -	2249	- — - -	(50)	50	
	100	G. Smith - - -	- - - - - -	2250	- — - -	(100)	100	
	75	R. Sutton, jun. - -	- - - - - -	2251	- — - -	(75)	75	
	50	R. Sutton - - -	- - - - - -	2252	- — - -	(50)	50	
	100	W. T. Beeby - -	- - - - - -	2253	- — - -	(100)	100	
	50	T. Hammond - -	- - - - - -	2254	- — - -	(50)	50	
	50	J. A. T. Smyth - -	- - - - - -	2255	- — - -	(50)	50	
	100	Wm. Borradaile - -	- - - - - -	2256	- — - -	(100)	100	
	50	N. Smith - - -	- - - - - -	2257	- — - -	(50)	50	
	50	J. Campbell, jun. -	- - - - - -	2258	- — - -	[50]	[50]	Cancelled, presented to the directors.

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50	Robert Page		2259	Old subscriber	(50)	50	
50	A. R. Dottin		2260	—	(50)	50	
100	H. Kingscote		2261	—	(100)	100	
50	Charles Perkins		2262	—	(50)	50	
50	J. M. N. Skerritt		2263	—	(50)	50	
3	Thomas Dunman		2264	— 10/ to pay	(3)	3	
5	F. T. Browne		2265	—	(5)	5	
1	John Cooper		2266	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
1	James Kaimes		2267	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
5	C. Lawrence, junior		2268	—	(5)	5	
3	James T. Mills		2269	— 10/ —	(3)	3	
15	—— Kelland	Hastings	2270	—	(15)	15	
5	Samuel L. De Symons		2271	—	(5)	5	
13	Thos. T. Smith		2272	— 10/ —	(13)	13	
25	Francis Mercier		2273	—	(25)	25	
13	M. A. Goldsmid		2274	— 10/ —	(13)	13	
1	Charles Holbrook		2275	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
3	H. Atkinson		2276	— 10/ —	(3)	3	
2	James Gardiner		2277	—	(2)	2	
✓1	J. W. Hellier		2278	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
1	T. W. Perry		2279	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
1	Thomas L. Williams		2280	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
5	R. H. Gerand		2281	—	(5)	5	
5	Thomas Croft		2282	—	(5)	5	
					No. Shares, Deposits Paid.	No. of Shares Allotted.	
8	Charles Capper		2283	— 10/ —	(8)	8	
3	William Davis		2284	— 10/ —	(3)	3	
10	C. Hill		2285	—	(10)	10	
3	Samuel Andrews		2286	— 10/ —	(3)	3	
1	William Griffiths		2287	—	(1)	1	
3	John Sale		2288	—	(3)	3	
13	Rev. Hunt Grubbe		2289	— 10/ —	(13)	13	
2	James Gardner		2290	— 5 additional to this No.	(5 2&5)	2 & 5	
10	Alfred Hurry		2291	—	(10)	10	
13	W. M. Simons		2292	— 10/ to pay	(13)	13	
25	E. A. De Grave		2293	—	(25)	25	
5	Jos. Brookes		2294	—	(5)	5	
5	William Bird		2295	—	(5)	5	
5	Edward Clifford		2296	—	(5)	5	
25	John Brothers		2297	—	(25)	25	
10	Josiah Roberts		2298	—	(10)	10	
3	William Lovecraft		2299	—	(3)	3	
2	John Owen		2300	—	(2)	2	
2	John H. Vere		2301	— 10/ —	(2)	2	
3	George Jeffkins		2302	— 10/ —	(3)	3	
5	William Chaplin		2303	—	(5)	5	
50	J. A. T. Smyth		2304	—	(50)	50	
1	Robert Coulson		2305	— 10/ —	(1)	1	
300	Col. Leith Hay, M. P.		2306	(In these letters 100 each in same No.)	(300)	300	
100	J. A. T. Smyth		2307	Old subscriber	(100)	100	
10	—— Rose		2308	—	(10)	10	
10	Joseph Brookes	Berkeley-court Clerkenwell	2309	—	(10)	10	
5	James Townsend, [esq.]		2310	—	(5)	5	
20	Harris Fleming	50, Burton-crescent	2311		(20)	20	
10	Richard M'Nally	3, Walbrook	2312		(10)	10	
10	Thos. Jones Hamerton	14, Southampton-buildings	2313		(10)	10	
10	Charles Lockington	42, Duke-street St. James's	2314		(10)	10	
40	George Doncaster	3, Duke's Dock Liverpool	2315	Recommended by Mr. Moxon.	(40)	40	
50	—— Lawrence		2316	ditto	(50)	50	
20	J. C. Blanckenhagen	15, Great St. Helens	2317		(20)	20	
10	Thomas Wilding	care of Marshall & Co. Wapping, Liverpool.	2318		(10)	10	
5	H. C. Morris	Manchester	2319		-	[5]	Cancelled.
25	Henry Foxcroft	Lancaster	2320		(25)	25	
10	George Carruthers	ditto	2321		(10)	10	
20	Alfred Iliff Goodess	Birmingham	2322		(20)	20	
30	Ebenezer Timmes	80, Coleshill-street Birmingham	2323		(30)	30	
7	Charles Capper	Finsbury-circus	2324		(7)	7	
20	Thomas Hall, esq.	8, Foster-lane	2325		-	[20]	Cancelled.

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5	James Lampear Frew -	Rochester - - - -	2326	(The receipt for this marked 1053.)	(5)	5	
20	Edward Bartholomew -	126, Shoreditch - - -	2327	- (ditto - 2168)	(20)	20	
10	—— M'Mullen - -	- - - - - - -	2328	- (ditto - 2069)	(10)	10	
10	—— Brinley - -	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - -	2329	- - - -	(10)	10	
7	George Jeffkins - -	10, Loraine-place Holloway -	2330	- - - -	(7)	7	
5	Thomas L. Williams -	20, Haymarket - - - -	2331	- - - -	(5)	5	
5	Robert Curtis - -	52, King-square - - -	2332	- - - -	(5)	5	
5	William Foster Pater -	24, Brooksby street Liverpool-road Islington.	2333	- - - -	(5)	5	
5	John James Pater -	42, King-street-terrace Lower-road Islington.	2334	- - - -	(5)	5	
10	A. Fulcher - - -	at Colonel Landmann's - -	2335	(The letter of appropriation, marked 2184.)	-	10	
5	Samuel L. De Symons -	Brighton - - - - -	2336	- - - -	(5)	5	
2	John Owen - -	25, Wilson-street Finsbury -	2337	- - - -	(2)	2	
25	John Brothers - -	Leamington - - - -	2338	- - - -	(25)	25	
3	Mrs. Massey - -	9, Constitution-row Gray's Inn-rd.	2339	- - - -	(3)	3	
5	F. J. Browne - -	47, Fenchurch-street - -	2340	- - - -	(5)	5	
12	M. A. Goldsmid -	7, Ironmonger-lane - - -	2341	- - - -	-	[12]	Cancelled.
5	S. Andrews - -	17, Upper York-street Bryanstone-square.	2342	- - - -	(5)	5	
2	William Davis - -	69, Pall-mall - - - -	2343	- - - -	(2)	2	
5	Thomas Croft - -	Lancaster - - - -	2344	- - - -	(5)	5	
25	W. B. G. - - -	[London] Liverpool - - -	2345	These are part of Mr. Vallance's appropriation - - -	(25)	25	
50	Bright Warwick - -	Liverpool - - - - -	2346		(50)	50	
20	William Collett - -	Henrietta-street Cavendish-square	2347		(20)	20	
5	Robert Dobinson -	9, Devonshire-place Newington-green.	2348		(5)	5	
50	Geo. R. Rowe, esq. M. D.	Chigwell Essex - - - -	2349	- - - -	(50)	50	
250	Ditto - - -	- - ditto - - - -	2350	- - - -	(100)	250	(✓)
200	Col. Landmann's friend	King William-street - -	2351	- - - (100, 100)		200	
100	Mr. Vallance's friend -	6, Earl-street Blackfriars -	2352	- - - -	-	[100]	
200	Mr. Geo. Smith's friend	Old Jewry - - - -	2353	- - - -	(100)	200	(✓)
300	Thos. Eyre Wyche, esq.	1, Leadenhall-street - -	2354	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	George Walter, esq. -	26, Cornhill - - - -	2355	- - - -	-	300	(✓)
300	Lieut.-Col. Utterton -	- - - - - - -	2356	Given in 4 letters of appropriation, 2 of 100 and 2 of 50.	(50)	300	(✓)
300	John Twells, esq. -	Gracechurch-street - - -	2357	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	Robert Sutton, jun., esq.	Royal Exchange - - - -	2358	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	Lieut.-Col. Skerritt -	- - - - - - -	2359	- - - -	-	300	
300	Thomas Phillpotts, esq.	Park-street Westminster - -	2360	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	Charles Perkins, esq. -	Mark-lane - - - -	2361	- - - -	-	300	
300	Robert Page, esq. -	Somerton - - - - -	2362	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	Rich. Digby Neave, esq.	- - - - - - -	2363	- - - -	-	300	
300	John Moxon, esq. -	Old Broad-street - - -	2364	- - - -	(300)	300	
300	Captain Henry Jones -	43, Manchester-street - -	2365	- - - -	(50)	300	
300	John Brothers, esq. -	Toms Coffee-house - - -	2366	(Altered to 3 letters of 100 each.)	(100)	300	
300	William Borradaile, esq.	Barge-yard - - - -	2367	- - - -	(300)	300	
50	Captain Henry Jones -	Manchester-street - - -	2368	- - - -	(50)	50	
15	Countess of Portmore -	- - - - - - - -	2369	- - - -	-	[15]	Cancelled.
10	John Sale - - -	47, Finsbury-circus - - -	2370	- - - -	(10)	10	
1	William Griffiths -	42, Church-street Shoreditch -	2371	- - - -	(1)	1	
1	Robert Dobinson -	9, Devonshire-pl. Newington-green	2372	- - - -	(1)	1	
25	Sir Edw. Cust, G. C. H. -	1, New-street Spring-gardens -	2373	- - - -	(25)	25	
20	Henry Green - -	11, Cecil-street Strand - -	2374	- - - -	(20)	20	
100	S. J. Boileau - -	16, Southampton-buildings -	2375	- - - -	(100)	100	
50	J. P. Boileau - -	20, Upper Brook-street - -	2376	- - - -	(50)	50	
250	Ditto - - -	- - - ditto - - - -	- -	- - - -	(250)	250	
100	S. J. Boileau - -	16, Southampton-buildings -	2377	- - - -	(200)	200	
20	R. P. Cruden - -	Gravesend - - - -	2378	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	William Eagle - -	- ditto - - - - -	2379	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	John Smith - -	- ditto - - - - -	2380	Gravesend Committee.	(20)	20	
20	R. C. Arnold - -	- ditto - - - - -	2381		(20)	20	
20	Adam Park - -	- ditto - - - - -	2382		(20)	20	
20	—— Bennett - -	- ditto - - - - -	2383	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	W. J. Matthews - -	- ditto - - - - -	2384	- - - -	(20)	20	
20	Jas. Harmer, alderman	- ditto - - - - -	2385	- - - -	(20)	20	
50	The Hon. W. S. Best -	5, Upper Brook-street - -	2386	- - - -	(50)	50	
50	James Vallance - -	6, Earl-street Blackfriars -	2387	- - - -	(50)	50	
20	Richard Watson Barton	Derby-house Cheshire - -	2388	- - - -	(20)	20	
100	James Vallance - -	6, Earl-street - - - -	2389	- - - -	(100)	100	
20	George Fred. Hamond	Commercial chambers - -	2390	- - - -	(20)	20	

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15	—— Mortimer, C. E.	64, High-street Camberwell	1
10	—— Griffin	11, Hungerford-market	2
—	John Crook, jun.	Clement's-Inn chambers	3
20	James Pigram	5, Trafalgar-street Walworth	4
20	George Tester	26, Paradise-row Rotherhithe	5
80	C. Woodman	40, Little Eastcheap	6
7	William Dickenson	38, Throgmorton-street City	7
20	E. Lawson	Augusta-house Rotherhithe	8
15	Henry Heald	Warnford-court Threadneedle-street	9
50	T. N. Owen	131, Aldersgate street	10
20	R. H. Blackford	4, Goldsmith-place Hackney-road	11
10	Miss Lucas	2, Spencer-street Northampton-square	12
30	A. Cobbett	1, Jeffrey's-square Kentish Town	13
80	T. Maskell	6, Salisbury-square Lisson grove	14
50	J. V. Smith	2, New Gloucester-street Hoxton	15
100	James Stickley	19, Cumberland-place Regent's-park	16
20	B. F. Ansley	6, Torrington-place Torrington-square	17
5	John Warwick	Beaufort-place Mile-end-road	18
20	Edward Linley	16, Clark-street Stepney	19
100	G. Henry Murdock	15, Panton-square Haymarket	20
30	Frederick Yates	3, Bury-court St. Mary-Axe	21
30	John Sorrell	37, New Gloucester-street New North-road	22
20	J. Morrison	1, Smith's-buildings Bunhill-row	23
40	Charles Clement, sen.	Surrey-square Old Kent-road	24
20	Robert Smith	16, Ann-street Waterloo-road	25
20	Charles Young	2, Lower Kennington-lane Surrey	26
20	William Dalton	New wharf Little Abingdon street	27
30	Thomas Phillips	15, Richmond-street Bath-street Old-street	28
20	George White	1, Queen's-buildings Brompton	29
23	Henry Easton	12, Anderson's-buildings City-road	30
50	Samuel Thompson	1, Ratcliffe-street Ratcliffe-highway	31
30	John Willett	10, Warner-place Hackney-road	32
20	William Butler	60, Wood-street Cheapside	33
25	James Wentworth	Lloyds	34
20	William Butt, esq.	35, Chapman-street Liverpool-road	35
30	Lewis Corner	36, Belvedere-place London-road	36
15	Nathan Natali	35, Great Alie-street Goodman's-fields	37
30	George Fryer	85, Britannia-street City-road	38
30	Robert M'Kenzie	35, Eyre-street hill Hatton-garden	39
50	Robert Smith	6, Barnsbury-terrace Islington	40
10	Mrs. Lawson	Bowness-house Kennington	41
20	W. B. Upton	17, Milk street Cheapside	42
100	R. Edwards	2, Upper Charles-street Westminster	43
20	Joseph Clark	New England Coffee-house	44
30	S. A. Booth	52, Myddleton-square	45
20	James Wilkinson	13, London-lane Hackney	46
20	James Kerridge	37, Beech-street Barbican	47
10	Mary Ann Spear	14, Tavistock-square	48
10	P. K. Fraser	- - - ditto	49
20	Henry Remison	5, Quickset-Edge, New-road Fitzroy-square	50
10	M. A. Cameron	7, Wells-street Gray's Inn-lane	51
4 or 5	Robert Ashton	25, Queen's-buildings Brompton	52
10	Mrs. M. A. Willis	Wellington-cottage Alpha-road Regent's-park	53
10	Mrs. E. Willis	- - - ditto	—
50	William Cooke	33, Singleton-street Hoxton	54
25	James Smith	14, Miles-lane London-bridge	55
20	M. A. Lloyd	14, London-wall	56
20	Edward Meirell	13, Clement's-lane Lombard-street	57
20	J. B. Horsley	80, Broad-street	58
30	J. Charles G. Bennett	30, Bucklersbury	59
50	John Brown, esq.	Manchester	60
20	Samuel Humby, sen.	Snow-hill Birmingham	61
30	William Barrett	37, Featherstone-street City-road	62
30	Charles Horne	105, Cheapside	63
50	Luke Brealy	Stoke Newington-common	64
20	William Wilson	3, Leatherseller's buildings London-wall	65
30	Samuel Dyson	Clement's Inn chambers	66
20	Thomas M'Lea	26, Haymarket	67
50	Charles Davis	1, Barrow's-hill cottages Regent's-park	68
20	Richard Neville King	11, Windsor-place City-road	69

Number of Shares Applied for.	NAMES.	ADDRESS.	Number of Letter.
50	M. Ansell	35, Cobet-place Commercial-road	70
25	G. Anderson	95, Grand Junction-terrace Edgware-road	71
10	L. Levi	155, Houndsditch	72
20	M. Coronel	80, Leman-street Goodman's-fields	73
15	Robert Nicholson	13, Charles-street Soho-square	74
20	M. D. M. Sweeny	63, Leadenhall-street	75
15 or 20	J. T. Brettargh	Howford-buildings Fenchuch-street	76
30	M. A. Noble	22, Harleyford-place Kennington	77
10	Thomas Yeakell, C. E.	9, King-street Whitehall	78
15	James Robertson	3, Prospect-place Old Brompton	79
30	James J. Jaques	16, Elder-street Norton Falgate	80
30	Henry Oxenford	26, Throgmorton-street	81
30	D. Martindale	9, Dalston-terrace Dalston	81
50	John Bishop & Co.	3, Rood-lane	82
25	Thomas Ford	4, Charlotte-row Mansion-house	83
5	John H. Blofield	130, Jermyn-street Haymarket	84
20	G. Smith	54, Whitechapel-road	85
15	James Railton	56, Threadneedle-street	86
20	Joseph Dardridge	102, Wood-street Cheapside	87
20	Robert Masser	Rio Doce-office, 6, Freeman's-court	88
30	Henry de Lacy Wilson	6, Leicester-place Albany-road Camberwell	89
30	William Stotherb	137, Strand	90
40	S. Cowen	27, Pleasant-row Cambridge-road Mile end	91
100	John Jeremy	26, Bucklersbury	92
10	John Evans	1, Princes-street Soho	93
30	George Morrison	Coverly-green crescent Edinburgh	94
20	Henry Smith	52, Peerson-street Kingsland-road	95
25	Thomas Martin	1, Lamb-place Kingsland-road	96
25	Francis William Smith	25, Baggot-street Dublin	97
25	John Street	3, Albion-street Rotherhithe	98
—	Thomas Deare		99
10	Henry Thompson	1, Castle-court Budge-row	100
20	Margarite A. Gaffray	12, Weston-street Pentonville	101
25	C. W. Richardson	1, Old Jewry	102
30	P. J. Lara	30, White Horse-street Commercial-road	103
40	R. Hamilton	56, Bridport-place New North-road	104
50	Thomas Camplin	Bristol	105
30	William Maine	147, St. John-street Smithfield	106
50	Frederick Hammond	57, Commercial Sale-rooms	107
30	S. Salamon	52, Aldermanbury	108
50	Mrs. Howard	66, Upper Charlotte-street Fitzroy-square	109
30	Tregoyti & Williams	42, Little Britain	110
20	James Smith	37, Leadenhall-street	111
30	J. Abraham	1, Brown-street Spitalfields	112
20	P. Jeffrey	32, Poultry	113
40	Jacob F. Adida	1, Smith's-buildings Mansell-st. Goodman's-fields	114
20	Thomas Rickards	3, Clarence-place Camberwell	115
25	T. J. Smith	Stock Exchange	116
30	James C. Greenhill	8, Austin-friars	116
10	James B. Peat	9, Liverpool-street	117
20	T. W. Berner	1, Copthall-chambers Throgmorton-street	118
10	Thomas Cogan	22, Henry-street Vauxhall	119
30	M. Almosnino	6, Bury-street	120
15	John Drew	58, Devonshire-street Portland-road	121
50	John Dell	Gladdish's-wharf Dockhead	122
50	Henry Johnson	6, White Hart-court Gracechurch-street	123
20	Henry Bailey	151, Strand	124
50	Thomas Williams	1, Chester-place Old Kent-road	125
20	Richard Roddie	46, Lime-street	126
30	William Manning	68, St. Mary Axe	127
20	Alexander Roberts	46, Clarke-street Commercial-road	128
30	Alfred Page	57, Amwell-street Pentonville	129
25	E. Srympson	33, Southampton-buildings Chancery lane	130
20	Robert Burtts	14, Fell-street Wood-street Cheapside	131
110	William Johnson	Temple-street Bristol	132
100	H. Swinburn	22, Bush-lane Cannon-street	133
—	W. J. Cooke	8, Capel-court Bartholomew-lane	134
10	M. Swainson	3, Nag's-head-court Gracechurch-street	135
50	Robert Dalton	1, Old Broad-street	136
20	James Bell	Brookes, Marsden & Shaw, Angel-court	137
20	William White	32, High-street Islington	138
40	James Smith	Bevis-marks St. Mary Axe	139
20	George Paluser	8, Finsbury-place	140
40	James Hamilton	10, Devonshire terrace, near the church, Stepney	141
15	Henry Christie	42, Cross-street Finsbury	142
50	Thomas Lloyd	39, Aldermanbury	143
30	D. Natali	35, Great Alie-street Goodman's-fields	144

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50	Frederick Lowe	17, Crombies-row Commercial-road	145
20	Thomas Munday	Winchester-house Old Broad-street	146
15	Copeland, Barnes & Co.	9, New Broad street	147
20	E. Ballard	9, Billiter-street	148
10	E. F. Harding	7, Wilson-street Finsbury	149
20	Edward Plummer	1, Church-street Soho	150
20	William W. Mansell	12, Birchin-lane	151
20	A. R. Beauchamp	17, Portugal-street Lincoln's Inn-fields	152
20	M. Dyer	23, Grove-place Lisson-grove	153
10	Stephen Danby	30 & 31, Peel-street Kensington	154
20	James L. Johnstone	Customs West India Docks	156
50	Adolphus Goldsmidt	9, Frith-street Soho	157
30	J. Archer	28, Provost-street City-road	158
30	R. H. Twycroft	at Mr. Ellis's, Little Bell-alley, London-wall	159
20	L. Medley	13, Queen-street May-fair	160
20	Charles Bigot, jun.	15, Hermes-street Pentonville	161
15	John Griesbach	2, Bowling-green street Kennington-oval	162
50	A. L. Goldsmid	18, Marylebone-street Piccadilly	163
10	T. W. Green	Hornsey-road Holloway	164
10	C. H. Trickey	6, Shepperton cottages New North-road	165
20	H. Harron	31, York-street Commercial-road	166
30	C. Weller	27, Payne-street Islington	167
50	John Goodchild	11, Upper Belgrave-street Belgrave-square	168
25	M. de Lazaz	21, Mount-street Mile-end	169
15	Thomas John Hall	37, Cleaveland-street Fitzroy-square	170
20	H. Fleming	50, Burton-crescent	171
30	George Fletcher	7, St. James's-street St. James's-square	172
5	William Brown	St. Vincent's-street East Liverpool	173
15	Gormon Issit	Charlton Kent	174
100	G. M. Lewis	Toms Coffee-house	175
20	W. G. Greenhill	9, Billiter-street	176

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(S. E.)	George Cowland	at James May, esq., Princes-street Spital-fields.	3	3
	Edward Lambert	3, Jewry-street Aldgate	10	10
	L. D. Stanley	Brass-foundry-office, 1, Charles-street Old Gravel-lane	10	10
	Andrew Broadbent	Imperial copper-works, Kingston-on-Thames	5	5
(S. E.)	J. M'Arthur	4, Beer-lane Tower-street	15	10
(S. E.)	John Langley	41, Bow-lane Cheapside	20	10
(S. E.)	Thomas Harrison	16, White Lion-street Norton Falgate	10	10
(S. E.)	E. Foxall & Co.	3, Howford-buildings Fenchurch-street	20	20
(S. E.)	John Harrison	Exchange-buildings	5	3
	George M. Grunnwood	10, Parish-street Tooley-street	5	5
(S. E.)	John Rothwell	2, St. Michael's-alley	25	10
	G. E. Robinson	Stock Exchange	50	20
	G. C. Robinson	24, Upper Clifton-street Finsbury-square	20	10
(S. E.)	Richard Lloyd	10, Lawrence-lane Cheapside	45	10
(S. E.)	Thomas Stone	Vaughan-terrace	5	3
	John Spear	2, Prospect-place Kingsland	20	5
(S. E.)	Robert Thompson	102, Blackfriars-road	20	10
(S. E.)	John Whitehead	42, Liverpool-street Broad-street	20	5
	Robert Charlton	9, Fleming-street Kingsland-road	15	5
(S. E.)	J. Glover	6, Kingsland-green	10	10
(S. E.)	Philip Clarke	10, Southampton-square Borough	30	10
(S. E.)	Frederick Barker	6, Shorter's-court Throgmorton-street	50	5
	James Greenwood	Exchange-buildings	10	3
(S. E.)	R. Smith	1, New-court Bow-lane	30	10
	Richard Hawkins	2, King-street Bartholomew-square	10	10
	James Blunt	15, Richmond-street	10	10
(S. E.)	John F. Acbon	12, Park-lane Piccadilly	50	20
(S. E.)	James Hallpike	Richmond-place Dalston	5	3
	H. E. Jones	11, Poultry	20	10
	H. Capell	14, Finsbury-place	40	10
(S. E.)	M. Cooke	19, Gloster-street Queen's-square	10	3
(S. E.)	Julian Gallerand	Payne's-cottage Hammersmith	12	10
(S. E.)	J. Delvalle	5, Craven-place Old Kent-road	10	5
(S. E.)	J. Green	91, Aldersgate-street	6	5
	J. Norris	24, Crutched-friars	5	5
	R. Dovey	23, High-street Kensington	20	10
(S. E.)	James Bull	2, Copthall-buildings	20	5
(S. E.)	Richard Capuer	19, Took's court Cursitor-street	25	10

	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	Shares Applied for.	Shares Granted.
	G. Bland	3, Mildmay-place Kingsland	10	10
(S. E.)	John Robinson	19, Down-street Piccadilly	15	10
	William Lewis	14, Tavistock-street Covent-garden	15	10
	J. Bawden	79, Connaught-terrace	10	10
	John Lewis	3, Princes-buildings Kennington	15	5
(S. E.)	M. Durham	Clapham-rise	30	10
	P. Bransby	11, Weston-street Borough	20	10
(S. E.)	John Plummer	5, Lambeth-square Lambeth	5	5
	Fitzgerald Despard	3, Stamford-place York-road	15	5
(S. E.)	A. Donaldson	Upper Holloway	5	3
(S. E.)	John Robinson	19, Tottenham-road Kingsland	10	5
	Thomas Blacket	9, London-street City	10	5
(S. E.)	Robert Williams	Tollington-park Hornsey	20	5
	W. Walter	46, Clarke-street Stepney	10	5
(S. E.)	J. Archer	148, Holborn-bars	10	3
(S. E.)	John Michell	29, Weymouth-terrace Hackney-road	30	5
	L. Graydon	2 Blossom-street Norton Falgate	20	5
(S. E.)	T. S. Horne	74, London wall	10	5
	Edward Mills	64, New Church-street Paddington	5	2
	J. Haines, jun.	137, Old-street	5	2
	John Glover	6, George's place Old Hoxton	10	5
	H. Frederick	17, Cecil-street Strand	5	5
	H. Poynton	3, Leatherseller's-buildings London-wall	10	3
	Endolph Frobisher	Clapham, near Young's, baker	20	5
	Edward Hargrave	170, Church-street Shoreditch	5	5
(S. E)	Henry Miller	King-street Hammersmith	20	10
	B. Lucas	17, Seymour-street Euston-square	25	10
	William Baines	14, Mansion-house-street Kennington	20	5
	W. Packwood	15, Bartholomew-square Old-street	5	5
	Thomas Dames	22, Tabernacle-walk Finsbury	5	5
(S. E.)	H. J. Longcluse	79, Connaught-terrace	5	5
(S. E.)	James Hook	20, Nelson-terrace Stoke Newington	5	5
(S. E.)	P. Rutton	35, Warwick-street Golden-square	10	5
(S. E.)	James Dungey	Glebe cottage King's-road Chelsea	5	5
(S. E.)	Robert S. Lambe	45, Grafton-street East Fitzroy-square	20	5
(S. E.)	C. Lochington	42, Duke-street St. James's	5	5
(S. E.)	P. Agate	8, John-street Oxford-street	10	5
	W. Mariner	Brazil[n] Mining Associat., 26, Throgmorton-st.	10	3
	Barclay Mountinay	- - - - ditto	10	3
	Thomas Holland	2, Queen's-place Hackney-road	10	5
	Thomas Wincaster	3, Manor-terrace King's-road Chelsea	10	5
(S. E.)	M. Chick	Payne's Hotel, Hand-court Holborn	20	5
	William Aldridge	Edmund-street Battle-bridge	5	5

Endorsed. Share list from Mr. Borradaile. For William Borradaile, Esq.

Mr. Dawson's Letters from Liverpool.

			Shares.					
342 ✓	(43)	100	75	Richard Dawson	✓		
— ✓	(44)	30	(*20)	B. Scott Riley	✓		
— ✓	(45)	50	(*30)	Christopher Saltmarshe	✓		
446 ✓	(46)	10	(* 5)	Samuel Taylor	✓		
— ✓	(47)	30	(*20)	Thomas Staverts	✓		
— ✓	(48)	10	(*10)	George Batley	✓		
562 ✓	(49) (*✓✗)	50	(*30)	Thomas Bold	✓		
— ✓	(50)	100	(*50)	Thomas Haigh	✓		
— ✓	(51)	100	(*50)	James Byrne	✓		
713 ✓	(52)	20	(*15)	Henry Johnston Wylie	✓		
— ✓	(53)	20	(*15)	Robert Wilson	✓	-	Everton.
— ✓	(54)	10	(*10)	John Irlam	✓	-	Liverpool.
— ✓	(55)	20	(*20)	Miss Mary Woodroffe	✓	-	Stamford.
— ✓	(56)	20	(*10)	William Thompson	✓	-	Liverpool.
— ✓	(57)	20	(*10)	James Odie	✓		
1494 ✓	(58)	50	(*50)	Thomas Martin	✓		
— ✓	(59)	5	(* 5)	H. H. Docker	✓		
— ✓	(60)	50	(*30)	J. C. Molyneux	✓		
— ✓	(61)	50	(*30)	W. A. Smith	✓		
— ✓	(62)	20	(*10)	William Critchley	✓		
— ✓	(63)	25	(*20)	Thomas Cooke	✓		
— ✓	(64)	10	(* 5)	John Kennedy.			
		800	500				

Approved by Mr. Twells, and Mr. Wyche, and Mr. Moxon, and Mr. Borradaile.
(T. E. W.)

Recommendations of George Walter, Esq.

No. of Letter.	No. of Shares.		
√X 54	25	50	Colin Smith — Qy. Dover Secretary.
√X 80	10	30	George Allardice.
√X 79	15	50	William Maine — Qy.
√X 121	10	20	Henry Honceman.
√X 122	10	20	J. T. Clement.
√X 186	20	100	Henry James — Marked only for 50.
√X 187	10	30	C. H. Ashley.
√X 208	10	50	William Mauley.
√X 209	5	20	Thomas Smith.
√X 265	20	60	Charlotte Fayle.
√X 266	20	50	Samuel Stammers.
√X 304	10	20	F. Freshfield.
√X 305	10	20	William Kenny.
√X 347	15	30	R. Perkins.
√X 353	10	15	J. M. Langhorne.
√X 371	20	25	John Rothwell.
√X 372	10	20	Charles Williams.
√X 388	5	5	William H. Foreman.
√X 389	2	3	William Henry Foreman.
√X 433	10	30	John Taite.
√X 466	10	25	Claus Sturcke.
√X 467	2	5	H. C. Böse.
√X 538	5	15	Joseph Bailey.
√X 665	15	50	James Chapman.
√X 666	10	50	T. C. Measom.
√X 667	10	50	John Capel Matho.
√X 758	5	10	A. Linons.
√X 762	5	10	William Man.
√X 772	10	20	Uziolli.
√X 776	20	150	Richards, Wood & Co.
√X 837	10	20	George Notley.
√X 838	5	10	J. E. Puddick.
√X 850	20	50	John Richards — Asks for 100.
858	-	[20	J. T. Clement.]
√X 992	20	50	W. T. Kelly.
√X 993	20	100	George Gibson.
√X 994	50	50	Charles Edmonds.
√X1023	20	32	H. Darnton — Special.
√X1024	10	25	Jonathan Barton — Special.
√X1025	20	50	Thomas Ferguson — Special.
√X1026	10	25	John Bragg — Special.
√X1027	30	30	P. Anderson — Special.
√X1028	20	100	Thomas Widder — Special.
√X1029	20	100	Frederick Widder — Special.
√X1060	10	25	S. P. Rickman.
√X1086	10	25	Henry Allan — Special.
√X1087	10	20	William Stephenson — Special.
√X1088	10	30	E. J. Brandon — Special.
√X1090	10	100	Thomas William Dornford — Special.
√X1091	25	100	Thomas Hamber.
√X1231	[2116] 20	50	W. D. Shirreff — And the Secretary.
√X1252	5	10	George Favenc.
√X1253	20	60	Charles Mann — Special.
√X1269	10	30	J. R. Woodford.
√X1271	5	10	G. R. Minshull.
√X1272	15	30	Sir William Murray, bart.
√X1299	10	50	William Hoys.
√X1301	10	100	James Blair.
√X1302	100	200	Bartholomew Jeffery — Holds 500 shares in the Greenwich.
√X1310	15	50	J. Thomas.
√X1311	15	40	J. H. Anderdon.
√X1322	10	60	Walter M. Fowler.
√X1356	25	200	S. S. Hyrdess — Refers to Mr. W.
√X1390	10	20	T. S. Sperring.
√X1391	10	20	G. B. Townsend.
√X1392	5	20	C. V. Clark.
√X1393	10	50	James Blair.
√X1394	5	40	J. W. F. Dalton.
√X1395	10	40	W. J. Browne.
√X1396	5	20	Henry Webb.
√X1398	10	50	John S. Clark.
√X1399	10	50	J. Pongerard.
√X1400	10	25	George Herne.
√X1401	5	20	James Kent.
√X1402	10	30	B. French.
√X1403	10	30	H. Hall.

No. of Letter.		No. of Shares.	
√X1405	10	20	G. Kiedhofer.
√X1406	10	50	Henry Turkington.
√X1407	30 - 25	100	B. Boyd.
√X1408	25	100	D. Britten.
√X1411	5	10	John Green.
√X1414	15	30	Lieut. R. H. White.
√X1415	10	10	John Jackson.
√X1417	10	40	R. Nicholson.
√X1648	15	25	James Holland.
√X1649	15	25	William Hughes.
√X1650	20	50	John Holland.
√X1651	10	30	William Hughes.
√X1764	15	20	Alexander Nairne.
√X1765	[30]	200	John Curling.
√X1766	15	40	William Rist.
√X1768	15	35	James Fellow.
√X1769	14	40	J. Holderness.
√X1770	15	50	R. Fitz-Holderness.
√X1771	10	40	William Holderness.
√X1772	20	100	Thomas Townend.
√X1917	10	10	F. Ferguson Camroux.
√X1998	10	10	Nathaniel Thompson.
√X1999	10	10	Anthony Moir.
√X2000	10	10	Joseph Fern.
√X2014	5	5	Henry Whiffen.
√X2018	50	50	Major Nutt.
√X2019	10	20	William Cardoza.
√X2140	20	100	Charles Smith.
	(1464)	(*4490)	

Proprietors on the Line of Road.

	No. of Letter.	Shares.		
√X (*20)	167 20	20	George Thompson	Property at Northfleet.
√X (*20)	213 2	20	J. H. Popkin.	
√X (*20)	658 20	30	Thomas Habgood	In conjunction with Mr. Lewis, of Dartford.
√X (*20)	692	25	J. Archer.	
√X (*25)	839	100	Charles Handley	Has great influence at Maidstone.
√X (*20)	1482	20	J. Hammon	Property at Gravesend.
√X (*25)	1549	30	John Lawson.	
√X (*20)	1565	25	J. F. Buccleugh	Dartford Post-office.
√X (*30)	1745	50	William Spencer.	
√X (*10)	1833	20	John Topham.	
√X (*25)	1838	50	William Watson.	
√X (*30)	2040	40	J. Henry Cromwell Russell	(*Mr. Hall.)
√X (*50)	2067	80	Joseph Milton.	
√X (*30)	2068	50	James Johnson.	
		(*560)		

(*395) (*25) — 420

(*T. E. W.)

(25 Mr. Hall.

Approved 420 by Mr. Wyche and Mr. Twells.

Bristol and Bath Letters.

No.		Shares.			
339✓	(124)	5	(*5)	Geo. Moger, jun.✓	Bath.
443✓	(125)	30	(*20)	R. L. Burne✓	Clifton.
444✓	(126)	40	(*25)	E. Hawes✓	ditto.
445 & 1200 ✓	(127)	15	(*10)	Henry Farr✓	Thornbury, Gloucestershire.
560 & 2116 2116		[400		Richard Fenes — Pd. 100 *l.*	Qy. (═══)
638✓	(128)	20	(*20)	Lieut. Chas. Brandt, R. N.✓	
712✓	(129)	30	(*10)	Fred. Wm. Green✓	Dean's Marsh.
787✓	(130)	20	(*20)	Wm. Miller✓	College Green, Bristol.
×× Qy. W. G. 869✓	(131)	150	(*50)	Wm. Lee✓	

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No.		Shares.			
926 ✓	(132)	20	(*20)	O. Staite ✓	
1196 ✓	(133)	50	(*25) [30]	Edward Clark ✓	Solicitor, Bristol.
— ✓	(134)	50	(*25)	Henry Clark ✓	Surgeon, ditto.
1370 ✓	(135)	30	(*20)	Donald Macarthur	✓ ditto. per Geo. Palmer.
— ✓	(136)	30	(*20)	Charles O. Hodges	✓ ditto.
1481 ✓	(137)	50	(*25)	Jos. Davis	Bristol. ✓
		940	295		
		400			
		540			

(*T. E. W.*) Approved by Mr. Wyche.

Recommendations of James Vallance, Esq.

No.	Shares.		
✓ 671	20	Thomas Charles Medwin	Addressed to Mr. Vallance.
✓ 672	20	John Rood	Addressed to Mr. Vallance.
✓ 673	20	Henry Webb	Addressed to Mr. Vallance.
✓ 832	100	Augustus Tilden.	
✓ 895	20	Gilbert Stephens.	
✓ 1221	50	A. R. Lucas.	
✓ 1350	20	Henry Richardson	Addressed to Mr. V.
✓ 1359	20	M. J. Rippingham	ditto.
✓ 1389	30	Thomas B. Cox	Refers to Mr. G. Smith.
	300		

The above list cancelled by order of Mr. Vallance, at his house, 9th November 1835, and the following names substituted.

Wm. Green.

300
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Mr. V. vacates 220 for distribution, 9th November 1835.

No.	Shares.	
✓✗ 832	25	Augustus Tilden.
✓✗ 1350	20	Henry Richardson.
✓ 2207	[25]	—— Mackenzie.
✓✗ 2208	10	Francis Thos. Grayling.
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General Country Letters.

	No.	Shares.			
✓✗ 144	240	[10]	30	Abraham Franklin	Manchester.
✓✗ 145	241	5	5	John Armstrong	Post-office Warrington.
✓✗ -	242	10	20	Rev. Nicholas German	Manchester.
✓✗ -	343 & 1131	20	50	John M. Ogden	Sunderland } Qy. in Mr. Perkins' list.
✓✗ -	370	20	40	Samuel Wilson	Canterbury.
✓✗ -	447	150	300	Henry Cunliffe	Southampton, Capt. Jones.
✓✗ -	449	5	15	William Stevens	Reading.
✓✗ -	710	10	20	Richard Blood	Birmingham.
✓✗ -	711	10	15	George Harford	Chew Magna.
✓✗ -	982	5	25	Mrs. P. Shipton	Watford.
✓✗ -	1186	10	50	William Braund	Hitchen Herts.
	1198	5	5	Charles A. Harris	Oriel College Oxford.
✓✗ -	1199 & 2102	10	25	John Richards	Reading.
✓✗ -	1199	10	15	F. B. Hooper	ditto.
✓✗ -	1199	5	10	John Richards	ditto.
✓✗ -	1201	5	5	James Crawford	Liverpool.
✓✗ -	1479	20	40	Dr. Leroux, Rev.	Chalk Gravesend.
✓✗ -	1483	210	30	William Edwin	Gravesend.

		No.	Shares.		
	√	1484	25	50	Samuel Kempson — Birmingham.
	√	1485	60	100	Thos. Miller, sen., banker, Leicester.
	√	1486	25	40	William Clissold, sen. — ditto.
	√	1488	10	20	George Cooper — Reading (Wm. Green).
	√	1490	10	10	Rev. M. H. Miller — Scarborough.
	√	1491	20	50	Amos Coates, surgeon — York.
	√	1492	20	50	Henry Lucas — Liverpool.
	√	1495	5	8	E. Jones — Abergavenny.
	√	—	5	8	Wolfe Isaac — ditto.
	√	1496	10	20	Meyer Frank — Manchester.
	√	1497	20	50	Thomas Roy — Liverpool.
	√	1498	10	20	W. L. Riddle — Bristol.
	√	1499	10	10	Richard St. Amour — Ostend.
	√	1500	15	30	George Bowring — Liverpool.
	√	1501	10	20	H. A. Downman — Bristol.
	√	1502	10	10	M. Slocock — Newbury.
	√ (×)	1503	200	200	Sir Wm. Geary, M. P. — (Special.)
	√	1504	10	15	Samuel Greaves — Canterbury.
	√	1627	20	50	Silas Dibsdall —
	√	—	20	50	James Lowe —
	√	—	10	25	Emanuel Wait — Recommended by J. A. T. Smyth.
	√	—	5	20	John Brady —
	√	—	5	10	Charles Morgan —
	√	1660	30	60	J. Fearenside, banker — Lancaster.
	√	—	20	40	Samuel Hinde, ditto — ditto.
	√	1708	5	5	W. G. Cussens — Bristol.
	√	1713	5	50	S. Woolf — Chatham.
	√	1714	10	30	J. Dowsland — Croydon.
	√	1749	10	25	C. H. Clay — Maidenhead.
	√	1779	40	50	Wm. Towgood, banker — Cardiff.
	√	1821	20	50	James Judson — Liverpool.
	√	1832	10	20	Henry Gingell — Gloucestershire.
	√	—	20	30	Chas. Hodges & G. Palmer, Clifton.
Not entd. Retd.	√	1884	30	100	Jeffs. Barth — Yarmouth.
	√	1892	15	30	N. Lloyd — Gloucestershire.
	√	1967	20	50	William Walkinson — Guildford.
	√	1988	10	10	Rev. Wm. Vernon — Yorkshire.
	√	2022	20	100	Alfred Gallim — Berkshire.
	√	2043	5	5	R. H. Collard — Bristol.
	√	2098	30	110	William Johnson — ditto.
(*Good)	√	2099	20	20	George Smith(*×) — Salisbury Bank. Field.
	√	2100	10	20	Rev. Randle Henry — Ashley Rectory Cirencester.
	√	2101	10	25	John Green — Bristol.
(*Good)	√	2103	40	50	Henry Harford(*×) — Bath.
	√	2104	40	100	John Leeming — Manchester.
	√	2105	20	50	Thomas Hilton — ditto.
		[2106]		[40]	[Capt. J. R. Pidding] — Brighton.
	√	2107	5	10	J. H. Bower — Union Bank Brighton.
	√	2108	5	5	Joseph Clarke — Leicester.
	√	2109	20	50	G. Adams — East Cliffe Brighton.
	√	2110	10	30	R. B. Giles — Bristol.
	√	2111	5	5	R. L. Townsend — Liverpool.
	√	2112	10	20	Robert Marshall — ditto.
	√	2113	5	10	William Child — Sarum.
		2114		[20]	[John Tolekin] — Cork.
	√	2115	20	50	Richard Robinson — Bristol.
	√	2117	10	10	J. Dennis — Salisbury Bank.
		2118		50	William Clubb — Warwickshire.
	√	2119	10	22	Captain Montague — Bath.
	√	2123	20	100	John Bright — Market Harbro'.
	√	—	5	20	Joseph Bright — ditto.
	√	2130	5	10	Charles Taylor — Birmingham.
		2131		[5]	[Charlotte Dalaway] — ditto.
	√	2137	10	30	James Harwood — ditto.
	√	2146	2	2	Richard Taylor — Bristol.
	√	2148	5	5	William Gover Gray — Bath.
	√	2150	10	30	James Macdonald — Gravesend.
	√	2151	10	30	John Chatterton — ditto.
	√	2152	5	5	J. W. Macklin, jun. — Salisbury.
	√	2153	5	20	James Ashwick — Birmingham.
	√	2154	10	30	John Hare, jun. — Bristol.
		1482		3205	Approved.

T. E. W.

Old Proprietors and London Special Letters.

	No.		Shares.	
✓	90	10	[25]	John Hawley, jeweller to the King. ✓
✓	91	5	[10]	Mary Tidswell, recommended by Mr. Hawley. ✓
✓	318	10	✓10	Daniel Cartwright, Loughborough, 10 *l.* paid. ✓
✓	319	10	✓10	Rowland Unwin, Bexhill Battle, 10 *l.* paid. ✓
✓	416	50	(50)	Mr. Stephens, Public Ledger. ✓ William Green.
✓	(429)	50	(50)	Thomas Hathway, Royal Exchange. ✓
	See Mr. Brothers.			
✓	430	10	(10)	J. O'Brien, friend of Mr. Hathway. ✓
✓	450	60	60	Solomon Levy, Bristol, 60 *l.* paid. ✓
✓	464	15	15	G. H. Hudson, solicitor to Mr. Pattison, M. P. ✓
✓	492	50	50	D. W. Harvey, esq. M. P. ✓ to Mr. Vallance.
✓	493	5	10	James Kendall, enclosed in Mr. D. W. Harvey's letter. ✓
✓	514	20	[40]	A. H. Bailey, a friend of Mr. Stephens, Public Ledger. ✓
✓	789	80	[100]	Thomas Hamond, old proprietor and director. ✓
✓	796	10	[25]	Henry Short; by Horneman and the secretary. ✓
✓	806	10	10	Frederick Smith; deposit paid, 10 *l.* ✓
✓	840	15	(15)	T. T. Smith, ✓ original proprietor; claims to make up 15. ✓
✓	934	5	5	Thomas Dunman - - ditto. ✓
✓	925	5	5	John Brine, remits 5 *l.* ✓
✓	972	10	15	John Dunn - - - }
✓	973	5	10	George John Blake } recommended by F. A. T. Smyth. ✓
✓ ✓	1006	5	10	T. W. Jeffcott, original subscriber. ✓
✓ ✓	1030	30	50	L. M. Simons - - ditto. ✓
✓ ✓	1015	10	(20)	William Bird; wishes to have 20 in all. ✓
✓ ✓	1084	5	5	William Davis; wishes to have 5 in all. ✓
✓ ✓	1103	20	30	Edward Clifford, in addition to original shares. ✓
✓	1116	100	100	Col. Sir Niel Douglas, C. B., K. C. H., special. ✓
✓	1324	25	25	Edward A. De Grave. ✓
✓	1339	5	5	W. Davis, additional shares, and old subscriber. *See* No. 1084. ✓
✓	1480	70	75	J. A. Hunt Grubbe - - ditto - - ditto. ✓
✓	—	70	100	Mr. Grubbe, brother to the above. ✓
	The two to Rev. J. A. Grubbe.			
✓	1684	40	50	Richard H. Giraud. ✓
✓	1944	5	10	J. Attwood, old subscriber. ✓
✓	2124	5	10	C. Hill - - ditto. ✓
			[1015]	
✓	1410	40	[40]	George Hodges, Shorne Gravesend, deposit 40 *l.*, paid. ✓
			[1055]	
			[255]	

		Remittances.		
[800]	Rev. S. Lloyd	100	Mackinn	50 ✓
[100 paid]	F. Smith	[10]	[G. Hodges	40]
[100 F.]	R. Ferres	100	Sol Levy	[60]
865	John Brine	[5]		110
135	—— Trew	5 §		
		220		
730	£. 255	110		

Approved by Mr. Twells.

Recommendations of John Twells, Esq.

	No.	Shares.	
20	✓✗ 203	30	J. Muzio. ✓
20	✓ 280	25	J. Y. Akermann. ✓
15	✓✗ 548	20	Randolph Blanckenhagen. ✓
40	✓✗ 767	40	Gerv. Wheeler, ✓ Greenwich proprietor.
20	✓✗ 942	25	Thomas Eldred. ✓
80	✓✗ 991	100	John Wilkin. ✓
80	✓✗ —	100 ✓	James Wilkin. ✓
60	✓✗ —	100	John Bewsher. ✓
80	✓✗ —	100	B. G. Snow.
80	✓✗ —	100	Peter D. Snow.
80	✓✗ —	100	Miss H. Snow.
		[50	Lieut.-col. L. Hay.]
(200)	✓✗ —	200	Matthias Attwood.
15	✓✗ —	20	J. G. Davis.
15	✓✗ —	20	Frederick Dansey.
10	✓✗ —	10	Miss M. Dansy.
10	✓✗ —	10	Thomas Holt.
50	✓✗ —	50	Phillip Twells.
	✓✗ 1107	[5]	Thomas Eldred, in addition to No. 942.

	No.	Shares.	
20	√X —	25	Edward Eldred.
25	√X1245	25	John Knight, secretary to Bank of England.
10	√X1260	10	W. Wynn Wilson.
10	√X —	20	√ William Burnett.
25	√X —	20	√ Henry Marshall.
30	√X1263	30	√ Charles Hoghton.
20	√X1264	20	√ A. A. Hoghton.
40	√X1265	50	√ John Woodroffe.
5	√X1506	10	√ George Sellman.
10	√X —	10	√ Thomas Liddiard.
40	√X —	50	√ J. M. Pearce.
5	√X1507	5	√ W. Holt.
5	√X —	5	√ Andrew G. Holt.
20	√X —	30	√ John Cobb.
10	√X1508	10	√ Ann Hollington.
5	√X1509	10	√ Thomas Dallaway.
10	√X1510	20	√ Samuel Parkes.
5	√X1511	10	√ Samuel Lee.
10	√X1512	10	√ S. Summerfield.
60	√X1513	100	√ David Ewart.
5	√X1514	10	√ J. Wrighton.
5	√X1515	10	√ William Sumner.
(5)	√X1516	√10	William Rushton.
20	√X1605	√25	James Luke, refers to Mr. Twells.
40	√X2009	√40	Mr. Corran, barrister, Gravesend.
80	√X2025	√100	Lawrence, Whitmore & Pearce.
5√	√X2078	√10	William John Macdonald, refers to Mr. Twells.
30	√X2096	√50	Owen Ryan, letter addressed to ditto.
5	√X2127	√5	John Dallaway.
	2128	[50	John Yates.]
10	√X2129	√15	George Turner.
10	√X2132	√10	Mr. Vallance, sen., special.
10	√X —	√10	T. T. Vallance - ditto.
5	√X2133	√5	John Hickling, Birmingham.
5	√X2134	√10	Charles Jagger - ditto.
5	√X2135	√5	Joseph Jagger - ditto.
40	√X2158	√40	Daniel Robertson.
[50] 30	√X2159	√100	Edwin Pemberton.
5		2080	

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Recommendations of Thomas Eyre Wyche, Esq.

	No.		
√X	1423	20 [30]	Samuel Beddome.
√X	1436	30	Virginia Green.
√X	1505	30	Ann Watson.
√X	1618	100	Rev. John P. Wyche.
√X	—	100	Hezekiah Wyche, esq.
√X	1631	50	Ellis Reeve.
√X	1632	30	Daniel Eyre, esq.
√X	1717	2	Rev. C. Dickie.
√X	[1720	10	F. R. Cummin.]
	[1723	20	William H. Ince.]
√X	1850	10	Pennyfeather.
√X	1909	100	Edward Wrench.
√X	1675	10	Thomas Holt.
			—— Gosworth.
√X	2024	100	P. H. Abbott.
√X	2091	30	[M. A. Briant] (Mrs. M. A. Wyche.)
	612	(612)	
		[10	F. F. Camerone.]
	563	50	John Wyche Ashton-under-Lyne, Manchester List.
		662	
√X	(No. 1117	20	H. Hill.)
		682	

Henry Hill - - - - 1117
Let him have - - - - 20

T. E. Wyche.

Messrs. H. C. Morris & Brothers' Letters, Manchester.

			No.	Shares.		
(*10 ✓)	✓(65)	242	20	Nicholas Germon		*See* letter 26 Oct.
(*10 ✓)	✓(66)	448 & 489	20	H. C. Morris.		
(*75 ✓)	✓(67)	448 & 563	300(+)	Herbert Hardie.		
(*10 ✓)	✓(68)	448	25	Charles James Inlott.		
(*10 ✓)	✓(69)	448	25	John Smith.		
(*5 ✓)	✓(70)	448	10	James Stott.		
(*5 ✓)	✓(71)	448	10	James Elleray.		
(*25 ✓)	✓(72)	448 & 1489	✓100	Henry Jacob.		
(*15 ✓)	✓(73)	448 & 928	30	George John Morris.		
(*20 ✓)	✓(74)	448	50	John Fernley.		
(*10 ✓)	✓(75)	448	30	Jonathan Booth.		
(*25 ✓)	✓(76)	563	100	John Cook.		
(*5 ✓)	✓(77)	–	20	Thomas Parry.		
(*20 ✓)	✓(78)	–	50	Joshua P. Westhead.		
(*20 ✓)	✓(79)	785	50	Joseph Higenbotham.		
(*10 ✓)	✓(80)	563	30	George Carruthers	Lancaster.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(81)	563	20	Thomas Dewhurst	ditto.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(82)	563	10	Mrs. Mary Harding	ditto.	
(*20 ✓)	✓(83)	563	50	James C. Satterthwaite	ditto.	
(*20 ✓)	✓(84)	563 & 785	50	Thomas Dunnington	Manchester.	
[(*40 ✓)]	[8]	563 & 928	100	John Wyche	Ashton-under-Lyne.	
(*10 ✓)	✓(85)	563	30	Thomas Higson	Manchester.	
(*10 ✓)	✓(86)	563	25	Richard Hughes	ditto.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(87)	563	10	G. F. Pattison	ditto.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(88)	563	15	Jasper Fletcher	ditto.	
(*10 ✓)	✓(89)	563	20	Thomas Kay	ditto.	
(*20 ✓)	✓(90)	709	50	George Keeling	ditto.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(91)	–	20	James Sewell.		
(*20 ✓)	✓(92)	–	50	James Wagstaff	Warrington.	
(*5 ✓)	✓(93)	–	20	Samuel Preston	Lancaster.	
✓(*50)	✓(94)	785	200(+)	William Buckley	Ashton-under-Lyne.	
✓(*75)	✓(95)	–	300(+)	Mrs. E. Hardie	Manchester.	
✓ (*5)	✓(96)	927	10	Thomas Underwood	ditto.	
✓ (*5)	✓(97)	–	10	Joseph Underwood	ditto.	
✓ (*5)	✓(98)	–	10	Ann Cavanagh	ditto.	
✓ (*5)	✓(99)	928	10	Benjamin Windler	ditto	
✓(*75)	✓(100)	–	300(+)	James Hardie	ditto.	
✓(*10)	✓(101)	1195	40	Walter Larigo	Bury, Lancashire.	
✓(*10)	✓(102)	1489	30	John Swallow.		
✓(*20)	✓(103)	–	50	John Colston.		
✓(*25)	✓(104)	–	100	John Leeming.		
✓(*75)	✓(105)	–	300(+)	J. B. Reyner.		
✓(*25)	✓(106)	1489	100	Thomas Townend.		
✓(*10)	✓(107)	–	20	John Ford.		
✓ (*5)	✓(108)	–	10	James Thomson.		
✓ (*5)	✓(109)	–	10	Joseph Thomson.		
✓ (*5)	✓(110)	–	10	William Squire.		
✓(*15)	✓(110)	–	40	Walter Lerigo	Bury.	
✓(*50)	✓(111)	–	200(×)	Alfred Reyner.		
✓(*25)	✓(112)	–	100(×)	Frederick Reyner.		
✓(*10)	✓(113)	–	20	Joseph Wilson.		
✓(*10)	✓(114)	–	20	John Drakefield.		
✓ (*5)	✓(115)	–	10	George Royston.		
✓(*10)	✓(116)	–	20	William Jenkinson.		
✓ (*5)	✓(117)	–	10	Ann Cavanna.		
✓(*10)	✓(118)	–	30	James Horsfall.		
✓(*10)	✓(119)	–	30	Edward Westhead.		
✓(*25)	✓(120)	–	100	John Downs.		
✓(*25)	✓(121)	–	100	C. Axon.		
✓(*10)	✓(122)	2149	20	Thomas Gittings.		
✓ (*5)	✓(123)	–	10	John Pickering.		
(*1040)			3560			

Approved by Mr. Sutton.

To be submitted to Mr. Borradaile.

Approved. *W. B.*

Recommendation of Robert Sutton, jun., Esq.

		No.	Shares.		
√X 15	- -	307 ✓	- - 50	- -	J. Balbirnie - - - Known to Mr. Sutton.
	✓	594 ✓	- - 200	-	×[George Meek.]
		[595]	- - 100	-	×[M'Glen & Barker] - 77, Basinghall-street.
	[ ] - -	[604]	- - 30	-	×[Moses Abitbell - - Mr.] Sutton and Mr. Moxon.
√X 50	[50] -	[741] ✓	- - 50	- -	Stephen Price.
	[25] - -	[742]	- - 50	-	×[Thomas Manning.]
✓√X 10	- -	743 ✓	- - 10	- -	George Robinson.
√X 25	- -	773 ✓	- - 50	- -	Sep. Thomas Allen.
√X 75	- -	821 ✓	- - 100	- -	John Harris, banker.
√X 75	- -	822 ✓	- - 100	- -	M. S. Soares.
√X 20	- -	824 ✓	- - 50	- -	S. F. Stallard.
√X 50	- -	825 ✓	- - 150	- -	J. J. Ronaldson.
		841	- - 25	- -	Robert Wood.
		842	- - 20	- -	Francis Jones.
√X 25	- -	890 ✓	- - 100	- -	Alfred Cutting.
		909	- - 100	- -	John Blunt - - - }
		910	- - 50	- -	William Nicholson - } Recommended also by
√X 10	- -	911 ✓	- - 20	- -	Samuel Stone - - } Mr. Borradaile.
		(*Daniel Alser.)			
√X 25	- -	930 ✓	- - 100	- -	Refers to Mr. Sutton - Mr. Stone's friend.
√X 25	- -	988 ✓	- - 50	- -	John Shewell.
		989	- - 50	- -	J. M. Pitta.
√X 25	- -	990 ✓	- - 100	- -	Edward Owen.
√X 50	- -	1168 ✓	- - 100	- -	Isaac Solly, jun. - - Addition, *see* No. 1326, 100 shares.
√X 20	- -	1169 ✓	- - 50	- -	Sir D. C. Roose.
√X 10	- -	1170 ✓	- - 10	- -	Lewis Burnand, jun.
√X 20	- -	1171 ✓	- - 50	- -	Henry Paterson.
		1295	- - 20	- -	John A. Walker.
√X 15	- -	1325 ✓	- - 30	- -	W. N. Nodding.
√X 10	- -	1327 ✓	- - 25	- -	Albert Barrett.
		1328	- - 30	- -	Henry Alexander Ince.
√X 50	- -	1329 ✓	- - 100	- -	Robert Barnett.
		1368	- - 20	- -	James Fenn - - - Addressed to Mr. R. S.
√X 25	- -	1682 ✓	- - 100	- -	T. C. Champion.
		1683	- - 30	- -	L. L. Goldsmid.
√X 25	- -	1685 ✓	- - 100	- -	John Routh.
√X 25	- -	1686 ✓	- - 100	- -	John Routh, jun.
√X 25	- -	1687 ✓	- - 25	- -	Benjamin Scott.
√X 20	- -	1688 ✓	- - 50	- -	H. D. Haes.
15 √X 10	- -	1922	- - [52] 11	-	Francis Burnand. ×
√X 10	- -	1953 ✓	- - 10	- -	Thomas M. Turner - - Special.
√X 50	- -	1954 ✓	- - 100	- -	Henry Tucker - - ditto.
√X 10	- -	1955 ✓	- - 20	- -	Daniel Tyrn.
√X 10	- -	1956 ✓	- - 10	- -	R. W. Cohen.
√X 20	- -	1957 ✓	- - 50	- -	Thomas Ouchterlony.
√X 200	- -	1966 ✓	- - 200	- -	Thomas Manning - Special.
					[Kerfin]
√X 20	- -	2050 ✓	- - 20	- -	G. H. [Curling] Keeling.
√X 20	- -	2051 ✓	- - 20	- -	Basil Montague - - Special.
√X 10	- -	2064 ✓	- - 25	- -	J. Salkeld.
√X 20	- -	2069 ✓	- - 20	- -	Gilbert Stephens.
			(*2895)		
√X 20 ✓	-	823	- - 50	- -	Ealand Alder - - [20.]
√X 10 ✓	-	2328	- - 25	- -	M'Mullen - - - [10.]
905					
2470	No.	2165	- - 50	- -	Thomas Powell.
1135					

1135 reduced No. (of Mr. Sutton.)

340 (50)

795

(1185 final return.)

1135

(*25 deduct Daniel Alser, No. 930.)

(*R. Sutton*, jun.)

No. of Letter.		NAME.		No. Allotted.		Where to Address Letter of Appropriation
307	√	Balbirnie	✓	15		S. S. Gribble.
741	✓	Price	✓	50		T. Manning, S. Ex.
743	✓	Robinson	✓	10	✓	Throgmorton-st.
× 821	√	Harris	✓	75	✓	S. S. & G.
822	✓	Soares	✓	75	✓	- do.
824	✓	Stallard	✓	20	✓	Stock Exchange.
825	✓	Ronaldson	✓	50	✓	Sutton & Co.
890	✓	Cutting	✓	25	✓	Stock Exchange.
911	✓	Stone	✓	10	✓	S. S. & G.
930	✓	Ditto, friend	-	25		- do.
988	✓	Shewell	✓	20	✓	S. Ex.
990	✓	Rev. E. Owen	✓	25	✓	S. S. & G.
1168	✓	J. Solly, jun.	✓	50	✓	St. Mary Axe.
1169	✓	Sir D. Roose	✓	20	✓	39, Old Broad-st.
1170	✓	L. Burnand	✓	10		S. Ex.
1171	✓	Paterson	✓	20	✓	39, Old Broad-st.
1325	✓	Hodding	✓	15	✓	S. S. & G.
1327	✓	Barrett	✓	10	✓	
1329	✓	Barnett	✓	50	✓	S. Exchge.
1682	✓	Champion	✓	25	✓	[Ans] S. S. & G.
1685	✓	J. Rowth	✓	25	✓	- - - do.
1686	✓	J. Routh, jun.	✓	25	✓	- - - do.
1687	✓	Scott	✓	25	✓	S. S. & G.
1688	✓	Haes & Co.	✓	20	✓	S. Exchge.
× 773	√	Sep. Allen	✓	25	✓	S. S. & G.
1953	✓	F. Burnand	-	15		S. Exchge.
				[740]		
				735		
1922	✓	T. Turner	✓	10	✓	S. S. & G.
1954	✓	H. Tucker	✓	50	✓	S. Exchge.
1955	✓	D. Tyrie	✓	10	✓	- do.
1956	✓	R. Cohen	✓	10	✓	- do.
1957	✓	Ouchterlony	✓	20	✓	Letter address.
1966	✓	T. Manning	✓	200	✓	S. Exchge.
2050	✓	Keeling	✓	20	✓	S. S. & G.
2051	✓	Basil Montagu	✓	20	✓	- do.
2064	✓	Salkeld	✓	10	✓	Stock Exchge.
2069	✓	Stephens	✓	20	✓	S. S. & G.
1135	✓	Alder	✓	20	✓	Stock Exchge.
—	✓	McMullen	✓	10	✓	- ditto.
—		[George Goldsmid]	-	[× 10]		- [ditto, general list.]
				[1150]		
				[1135]		
				1135		
2165	✓	T. Powell	-	50	✓	
				[1195]		
				[10]		
				[1185]		

Memorandums of the Secretary.

	No.		(5)	-	Shares.		
√X	92	-	(5)	-	10	-	Mr. Pitt, Covent-garden market.
√X	157	-	(15)	-	25	-	Thos. Deare, and Mr. Walter, Wyre & Preston.
√X	291	-	(5)	-	20	-	Thos. Salmon; refer to Mr. R. Lancaster.
√X	301	-	(25)	-	50	-	John Herapath.
√X	368	-	(5)	-	20	-	G. H. Dutton.
√X	386	-	(50)	-	100	-	Effingham Wilson.
√X	[421]	-	-	-	[20]	-	Rob. Sims and Col. Landmann.
√X	470	-	(5)	-	[50]	-	D. E. Stephens, Chingford Essex.
√X	744	-	(5)	-	[15]	-	George Collard } Mr. Lancaster.
√X	745	-	(5)	-	[15]	-	Wm. Sims }
√X	836	-	(5)	-	[10]	-	John Euston.
							(*See* letter within.)
√X	894	-	(25)	-	[100]	-	John Wade. (* *See* add[l] No. 894, 40 shares. Letter signed.)
√X	1040	-	(25)	-	[25]	-	Wm. Borradaile, jun., recommended by W. G. (✓ backed by W. Borradaile —.)

	No.		Shares.		
√X	1051	(15)	[25]		Charles Dowell, requested by J. Y. Akerman.
√X	1294	(10)	[40]		Daniel Holmes.
√X	1316	(5)	[25]		N. W. Symonds.
√X	1437	(20)	[30]		William Stevens, special.
√X	1608	(10)	[40]		Charles Palmer (✓).
√X	1609	(5)	[20]		William Marriner (✓).
√X	1610	(10)	[20]		Richard Ireland (✓).
√X	1611	(10)	[25]		Henry Walker (✓).
√X	1612	(5)	[20]		H. Oxenford (✓).
√X	1613	(5)	[20]		John Roberts (✓).
√X	1614	(5)	[25]		Frederick Temple.
√X	1615	(5)	[20]		Barclay Mountenay (✓).
√X	1616	(10)	[30]		Thos. Theobalds.
√X	1655	(10)	[25]		James Walker (✓).
√X	1656	(5)	[30]		J. Buckle, a friend of ditto(✓).
√X	1657	(10)	[25]		John Walker (✓).
√X	1659	(10)	[20]		Edward Townsend.
√X	—	(10)	[20]		Charles Townsend.
√X	1961	(50)	[100]		Thomas Wilson, special.
√X	2136	(10)	[50]		Francis Fisher.
		(395)	1070		
√X	1520	(10)	50		E. M. Akerman.
√X	1521	(10)	50		M. J. Akerman.
√X	1522	(10)	50		A. Akerman.
√X	1523	(10)	50		H. Akerman.
√X	1524	(15)	100		J. F. Akerman.
√X	1525	(15)	100		John Akerman.
		(465)	1,470		*Wm. Green.*

Recommendations of Thomas Phillpotts, Esq.

	No.	Shares.	
√X	126	50	C. T. Pharazyn.
√X	133	50	Lieut.-Col. Aldred.
√X	—	50	Alex. M'Dougall.
√X	—	25	John L. Walcott.
√X	—	50	A. H. Phillpotts.
(*√X)	[651	50	Richard Watts. *See* No. 1435, S.]
√X	668	70	E. S. Green; refers to Mr. Phillpotts & Mr. Sutton.
√X	673	200	James Swabey. *See* No. 1123, below.
√X	688	100	Wm. Gordon.
√X	689	50	Wm. M. Decharms.
√X	783	50	Adolphus P. Johnson.
√X	808	10	Captain Harris.
√X	1042 [1024]	50	Eilvart, 64, Seymour-street, Euston-square.
	[1092	20	Harry Knaggs.]
	[1123	100	James Swabey, in addition to No. 673.]
√X	1548	50	C. N. Bayly.
√X	—	25	Col. [Aldred] Alweed.
		830	
√X	2147	25	Enoch Gerrard, Chester, 30*l.* sent.
		855	
	[2147	25]	
√X	603	100	Mulholland.
√X	—	[100]	James Swalley. Thorn.
		1,055	

T. Phillpotts. 1,931
4,800
3,269
10,000

Recommendations of Captain Jones.

	No.	Shares.	
√X	2013 (cancelled)	100	The Hon. Arthur Arundell.
√X	(passed to name Mr. Neave)	50	Mrs. Burridge.
		150	
			(*Letter sent.)
√X	(2178 cancelled)	20	Mr. Breese of Brentwood, Essex.
√X	(2179 cancelled)	20	Mrs. Mary Bott of Rumford.
			(*Letter sent.)
		190	

Delivered the two first letters to Mr. Neave.

Recommendations of R. D. Neave, Esq.

	No.			
√X	2037	(cancelled)	50	Mr. Wiltshire.
√X	—	(ditto)	100	William Augustus Neave.
			150	

R. D. N.

(Letters delivered to Mr. Neave, with two of Captain Jones's.)

Recommendations of George Landmann, Esq.

	No.		Shares.	
√X	1762		40	George Herrett.
√X	—		20	Frederick Twyman.
√X	1763		50	Thomas Hamlet.
			110	
√X	[2184]	2333	10	Mr. A. Fulcher, to be sent to Col. Landmann.
√X	2184	[233]	10	Mr. Charles Gooch, at Messrs. Cowper's, St. Paul's Church-yard.
√X	2185		50	Miss L. A. Landmann.
			180	

The letters delivered to Col. Landmann.

Recommendations of Lieutenant-Colonel Utterton.

	No.		Shares.	
	76	√X	20	James Smith. ✓
	290	√X	100	James Alexander de Reimer. ✓
	295	√X	20	Thomas Bailey. ✓
✓	296	√X	40	A. J. W. Lyon. ✓
	297	√X	40	W. T. Griffiths. ✓
	298	√X	20	Robert Messer. ✓
	473	√X	50	J. Allen ✓ ; refers to Col. Utterton and Capt. Page.
	1013	√X	40	F. Edwards ✓ ditto.
	1014	√X	30	A. P. Green ✓ ditto.
			380	
	13	√X	30	George F. Morrison.
	2167	√X	50	Paul Storr.
			460	

Greenwich Proprietors.

	No. of Letter.		No. of Shares.	
√X	18	(5)	10	John Wort.
√X	28	(5)	5	John Simpson.
√X	188	(10)	20	G. Atkinson.
√X	677	(20)	50	W. H. Masterson.
√X	708	(5)	5	Cuthbert Romilly.
√X	730	(15)	30	John Spear.
√X	756	(5)	10	Daniel Sturdy.
√X	782	(20)	100	C. Downs; says he is a Greenwich proprietor.
√X	835	(20)	100	Major W. W. Bampton.
√X	855	(10)	50	George J. L. Noble; refers to Mr. Walter.
√X	860	(5)	5	George Pratt.
√X	1021 30	(10)	100	Josiah Wilson; recommended by Mr. Meek.
√X	1102	(5)	20	Joseph Temple.
√X	1230	(10)	50	Henry Finch Letchworth, Reading; refers to Mr. Smith.
√X	1262	(5)	5	Henry Mackenzie.
√X	1268	(10)	50	Henry Bagot Jones; known to Mr. Beeby.
√X	1288	(5)	30	George Grunwell; name illegible; known to Mr. Walter.
√X	1522	(20)	100	William Read.
√X	1625	(10)	15	Sarah Hammond; *see* No. 2002.
√X	1840	(5)	20	William Thomas Woods.
√X	1982	(5)	10	John Hubbard.
√X	1995	(5)	5	John Beaumont.
			790	
✓ ×	[2136]			
		(210)		

Recommendations of Geo. R. Rowe, Esq., M. D.

	No.	Shares.	
90 √X	300	100	Richard Taylor.
90 √X	—	100	John Rowe.
90 √X	—	100	John Roger Arnold.
90 √X	378	100	James Cadett.
90 √X	636	100	Thomas Loft.
			Allen.
90 √X	674	100	Mundeford [Hammond]
50 √X	—	50	Matthew Allen, M. D.
90 √X	—	100	William Adams.
50 √X	1983	50	William Ficehurst, name illegible; special.
(730)		(*800)	

Geo. Robt. Rowe.

Recommendations of Robert Page, Esq.

	No.	Shares.	
√X	473	50	J. Allen; refers to R. P. and to Col. Utterton.
√X	1569	100	Mrs. Lawson.
√X	—	100	Miss [Thurston] Thrusher.
√X	—	50	William Hawker.
√X	—	50	Rev. John Bradney.
√X	—	50	Rev. J. Williams.
√X	—	50	George Page.
√X	—	50	Rev. W. Brymer.
√X	—	20	Robert Parsons.
		520	
√X	166	10	E. Lambert } Transferred from Mr. Borradaile's
√X	424	25	W. Ellwand } list.
		555	

All the letters delivered to Captain Page, excepting Mr. J. Allen's.

R. Page.

Recommendations of Charles Perkins, Esq.

	No.	Shares.				
	124	50	John Follett	O	√X	20
	125	50	Wm. Corey ✓	—	√X	30
	127	50	C. Culshaw ✓	[O]	√X	[30] (40)
	675	10	John Gregson	O	√X	[5] (10)
	676	10	James Gregson	O	√X	[5] (10)
	1131	50	J. M. Ogden ×	(*See* No. 343), refers to Mr. Perkins.		
×	1244	50	Newnham ✓	—	√X	30 [Surgeon, O.St.]
	—	30	Valpy ✓	—	√X	15
		[(300)]				[135] (165)
		[(135)]				
		[(165)]				

(165 *Charles Perkins.*)

(× Mr. Newnham, surgeon, Old Steyne, Brighton.)

Recommendations of John Brothers, Esq.

	No.	Shares.	
√X (*20)	190 ✓	30	Geo. Eaton.
√X [(*50)] 70	198	100	Thos. H. Parker.
√X (*75)	256 & 998	100	John Jeffkins.
√X (*75)	257 & 999	100	George Jeffkins.
√X (*50)	258	50	Thos. Thorne.
√X (*10)	264	20	Rd. Read.
√X (*50)	367	50	John Atkins.
√X (*15) 20	392	20	Wm. Clark.
√X (*50)	429	70	Thos. Hathway. (*Letter sent.)
√X 100	559	50	Wm. Chaplin.
√X (*50)	736	50	Thos. Griffin.
√X (*10)	—	10	Ann Griffin.
√X (*20)	774	50	J. H. Arthur; recommended also by J. L. Stevens.
√X (*25)	775	50	F. Fincher — ditto — ditto. ✓

(*continued*)

		No.		Shares.		
✓	(*10)	831		10		Richard Knight.
✓	(*15)	844		20		M. B. Sampson.
✓	(*40)	845		100		Wm. Mount.
✓	(*10)	924		10		E. Charlton Prior. ✓
✓	(*50)	952		50		Thos. Griffin.
✓	(*20)	1012		20		J. Thurp.
✓	(*20)	1276		25		C. M. Willick.
✓	(*20)	1277		25		Thos. S. Caife.
✓	(*50)	1588		50		Thos. Oldham.
✓	(*20)	1592		20		E. Parker.
✓	(*20)	2012		50		J. P. Blennerhasset.
800	✓	487		30		Birdsey, omitted; refer to book.
30						
830				1110		
✓		1251		20		Nathaniel Bingham, surgeon. ✓
✓		2168		10		Edw. Chalton Pryer. ✓
✓		2327		20		Edw. Bartholomew, 126, Shoreditch,
				830		
				880		
				50		additional. *See* No. 559.
				930		

Recommendations of John Moxon, Esq.

	No.			Shares.		
✓	101			[200		J. E. Stokes, *Qy.*]
✓	168	(*10)		[50]		R. Smith; refers to Mr. Moxon, [and since recommended; *see* 1246.]
✓	857	(*10)		[10]		John Wright.
✓	871	(*10)		[20]		J. W. Humphry.
✓	889	(*5)	Cancd	[30]		Aaron Joseph; cancelled.
✓	1007	(*30)		[50]		Henry English.
✓	1008	(*10)		[15]		George Morgan.
✓	1009			[30]		John ————, name not legible.
(*5) (*150) ✓	1064	(*200)		[200]		Henry Kingscote, wishes his original subscription to be considered as for 200 shares; *see* No. 1246.
✓	1136	(*100)		[100]		Thomas Moxon, jun.
✓	1137	(*20)		[20]		Benjamin Groom.
✓	1138	(*20)		[25]		Samuel Sampson.
✓	1139	(*20)		20		G. B. Brown.
✓	1202	(*30)		[100]		J. & S. Joseph.
✓	1203	(*50)		[60]		Gowan & Mark.
✓	1204	(*50)		[50]		Foster & Braithwaite.
✓	1243	(*100)		[100]		Thomas Solly; special.
✓	1247	(*50)		[50]		Thomas Hobblewhite.
✓	—	(*50)		[50]		G. B. Fairclough, esq.
✓	—	(*30)		[50]		Alfred Webb.
	2315	40		[50		George Doncaster.]
✓	1248	(*30)		[50]		S. A. Levy.
✓	1249	(*20)		[50]		Samson Goldsmid.
✓	1250	(*20)		[30]		W. D. Chowire, M. D.
✓	1342	(*30)		[50]		L. Richardson — Special.
✓	1343	(*100)		[100]		N. H. Roberts — Special.
✓	1344	(*100)		[200]		Frederick Burmester — Special.
✓	1345	(*20)		[20]		Edward Irving — Special.
✓	1361	(*10)		[10]		William James Mackay.
✓	1364	(*20)		[50]		J. G. Laserre; special.
✓	1431	(*25)		[50]		Ward & Mieville.
✓	1530	(*50)		[100]		John Williams.
✓	1531	(*100)		[150]		William Wood, M. D.
✓	1535	(*30)		[30]		Moses Franco.
✓	1536			[30		S. Aguilar.]
✓	1830	(*50)		[50]		Charles Moxon.
	[1869	(*50)		100		James Moxon.]
	2001			[15		John Corley.]
✓	2138	(*50)		[50]		James Henderson.
✓	2139	(*50)		[100]		J. White.
✓	2143	(*50)		[50]		Jos. Cockerton, jnn.
✓	2144	(*28)		40		John [(*Matthey) Maltby], 78, Old Broad-street.
		[(*2230)]		(*2455)		
		(*1628)		(*J. M.)		
✓	2166			50		Bleadon & Co., London Tavern.

(Number finally returned, 1628.)

J. M.

Recommendations of William Borradaile, Esq.

	No.		Shares.	
√X	71	(30)	50	N. P. Levi. O
√X	72	(30)	50	H. Decastro. O
	87		50	H. J. Ebsworth. ×
	105		20	E. Floyd. ×
	166	[(25)]	25	Edward Lambert, × known only, not recommended by Mr. B.
√X	312	(25)	50	Henry W. Wood. ✓
√X	313	(25)	50	Thomas Harrison, ✓ and Colonel Utterton.
	424		100	William Ellwand, jun. ×
√X	568	(20)	30	Andrew Cohen. ✓
√X	575	(50)	50	Robert Hudson. ✓
√X	624	(20)	25	Hubert Mortimer. ✓
√X	661	(25)	50	J. Tilleard, Old Jewry. O
√X	662	(25)	50	G. J. Huson, 34, Old Jewry. ⓘ
	748		20	J. S. Ringer, a friend of Mr. Rasch. ×
√X	749	(10)	10	Arthur Rasch. ✓
	752		20	John Williams; refers to Mr. Borradaile. ×
√X	878	(20)	200	Thomas Ashton, jun.; refers to ditto. ×
√X	912	(25)	50	Nathaniel Clark. O
√X	931	(10)	40	William Burnett. O
√X	932	(30) 20	30	E. Adams. ✓
√X	938	(20)	20	Raymond Cripps, ✓ Cirencester.
√X	939	(10)	10	Henry Harris, ✓ - ditto.
√X	943	(100)	200	Pinto Urquhart & Perez, O and Mr. Perkins.
√X	967	(10)	20	C. L. Phillips, ✓ respectable; William Borradaile.
√X	971	(10)	20	Robert Caldicott, ✓ ditto - - - ditto.
√X	979	(5)	10	Geo. Allender, ✓ recommended by Mr. Greenaway.
√X	1000	(10)	20	James Townsend, ✓ and the Secretary.
√X	1062	(10)	20	Thomas Greenaway. ✓
√X	1100	(30) 50	50	Thomas S. Sedgwick. ✓
√X	1128	(20)	70	M. (E. H.) Lindo, O } Special. (E. H. Lindo.)
√X	1129	(30)	30	N. Domett ✓ - }
√X	1140	(100)	100	R. H. Lloyd, ✓ special.
	1357		50	Wilson Slater, × refers to Mr. B., not known by him.
√X	1369	(10)	20	Richard M. Mount, ✓ special.
√X	1429	(10)	10	S. Hallam. ✓
√X	1493	(30)	50	Matthie & Martin. ✓
√X	1539	(200)	300	Hickens & Harrison. O
√X	2046	(30)	100	Foster. O
√X	2047	(50)	50	George Borradaile, ✓ special.
√X	2063	(50)	50	H. Waymouth, ✓ - ditto.
√X	2125	(10)	10	D. Nicholson. ✓
√X	2145	(30)	50	✓ Thomas Helps.
√X	2164	(20)	20	✓ John Pennington.
√X	610 [2164]		50	Rev. T. Borradaile, Clapham-common.
√X	2044	(20)	20	S. Rucker & Son.

One thousand and ten.

W. B.

1010
50 added.
1060

W. G.

The List of Lieutenant-Colonel Leith Hay.

In Mr. Twell's list		[40]	D. Robertson, Levant-house.
√X	No. 2164	20	A. Watt, Levant-house.
		(20)	
		[60]	
		(60)	

(To be entered in the book.)

50 √X	(No. 2173)		John Melville, esq., Levant house, St. Helens-place.
50 √X	(No. 2173)		W. H. Sharp, esq., Levant-house.
100 √X	(No. 2173)		T. Tringham Smith, esq., 2, Copthall-court, Throgmorton-street.
200			
20			
220			

(*The above 3 letters sent by post.)

A. L. H.

Mr. Robson Bielby's Letters from Birmingham.

	No.	Shares.		
(3)✓	164 & 338	30	30	Robson Bielby.✓
(7)✓	786	20	10	Josias Elms.✓
(8)✓	786	10	5	Joseph Timmins.✓
(9)✓	786	10	5	Joseph Lloyd Phelps.✓
(10)✓	786	10	5	Alfred Lawden.✓
(11)✓	786	10	5	James Drake.✓
(12)✓	929	10	5	John Harris.✓
(13)✓	—	10	5	Mary Ann Short.✓
(14)✓	—	10	5	Benjamin Gill.✓
(15)✓	1197	20	10	George Smith.✓
(16)✓	1197	10	5	Jessy Greaves.✓
(17)✓	—	50	25	E. B. Lovell.✓
(18)✓	—	50	25	John Barwell.✓
(19)✓	—	30	10	Samuel Briggs.✓
(20)✓	1487	30	10	James Harwood.✓
(21)✓	—	20	10	Edward Carrol.✓
(22)✓	—	20	10	Edward Holmes.✓
(23)✓	—	10	10	Thomas Buckton.✓
(24)✓	—	5	5	Charlotte Smith.✓
(1)✓	—	15	15	Thomas Nelson Bielby.✓
(25)✓	—	20	15	Rev. Thomas Morgan.✓
(26)✓	—	10	5	Edward Wilson.✓
(27)✓	—	10	5	John Wade.✓
(28)✓	—	10	5	Samuel Wade.✓
(29)✓	—	50	25	Sarah Short.✓
(30)✓	—	50	25	Henry Rotton.
	2097	295	160	Sundries. *See* letter of 1st November.
		825	450	

450 Approved by Mr. Twells.

George Walter, Esq.

	No.	Shares.
Colin Smith	54	25
George Allerdise	80	10
William Manley	208	10
J. C. Batho	667	10
A. Linons	758	5
Thomas Widder	1028	20
William Stevenson	1087	10
J. R. Woodford	1269	10
T. S. Spooring	1390	10
George Hearn	1400×	10
John Curling	1766	30

Morris, Manchester.

George Carruthers	563	10
Thomas Underwood	927	5
John Leming	1489	25

William Borradaile, Esq.

N. Clark	912	25

Thomas Phillpotts, Esq.

F. Ailvart	1042	50

Robson Bielby.

Rev. T. Morgan	1847	15

Dawson, Liverpool.

H. H. Docker	1494	5

Secretary.

	No.	Shares.
John Herapath	301	25
Effingham Wilson	386	50
John Wade	894	50
Daniel Holmes	1294	10
N. W. Symons	1316	5
Mrs. W.	2171	5
J. G.	2171	20
Richard Gude	2182	10

John Moxon, Esq.

Henry Kingscote	1064	200
Bleadon & Co.	2166	50
Mr. Lawrence	2316	50

John Brothers, Esq.

Charles M. Willick	1276	20
Thomas S. Cape	1277	20

T. Wyche, Esq.

Virginia Green	1436	30
William Stevens	1437	20
Ann Watson	1505	30
Mrs. M. A. Wyche	2091	30
Rev. W. Slade	2197	50

Colonel Landmann.

George Hennete	1762	40
Frederick Twyman	1762	20
Charles Gooch	2184	10
Miss L.	2185	50
A. Fulcher	2335	10

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	Shares.
Remittances	390
Old shares	307
Old subscribers	1,625
Robert Sutton	1,185
John Twells	1,550
T. Wyche	680
Dr. Rowe	730
George Landmann	180
Captain Jones	190
Colonel Hay	220
R. D. Neave	150
James Vallance	300
Charles Perkins	165
Captain Page	555
Greenwich list	210
George Walter	1,464
T. Phillpotts	1,055
Secretary's list	465
T. Moxon	1,628
T. Brothers	930
Colonel Utterton	460
W. Borradaile	1,060
Old proprietors and special letters	730
Liverpool	500
Manchester	1,140
General country letters	1,480
Birmingham	450
Bristol and Bath	295
Line of road	420
Directors	4,800
Professionals, &c. &c.	850
	26,164
General appropriation	3,344
	29,508
Deduct,	
From Mr. Vallance's list	220
From Mr. Neave's and Mr. Jones's lists	290
	510
	28,998
General appropriation	145
	29,143

The following List contains the Names of Individuals who are called *Share-hunters*, and make Applications to respective Companies for the purpose of selling their Letters:

Perkins.	Pellat.	Cohen.	George Wood.	Stokes.
Hirst.	Bloxham.	Durham.	Tonkin.	Stark.
Strickland.	Pankard.	Arlington.	Lee.	Noble.
Fama.	Miller.	Medina.	Taylor.	Cheltenham.
Curties Pimblico.	Ansell.	Harris.	Crump.	Gibson.
Chamberlain.	Bach.	Johnstone.	3. Lewis.	Dorrington.
Piper.	Henderson.	Proctor.	2. Levy.	Zwinger.
Castello.	Day.	3. White.	Burge.	Armstrong.
Aguillar.	Cooke.	Rogers.	Thompson.	Hakett.
Salom.	Rothwell.	Sydney.	Beckers.	Abutbal.
Onez.	Casfillio.	Husband.	Baker.	Russian.
Bensusan.	Gallerand.	Bickers.	Grant.	Thick.
Coulton.	Kruckenberg.	Upton.	Clapham.	Falk.
Flower.	Jackson.	Kendall.	Du Bois.	2. Allisson.
G. Jones.	Jackson.	Ballard.	Kemberow.	Green.
Newcomb.	Isaacs.	Robt. Wood.		

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"Private."

ⓘ	Traleigh Consols Mining Company	Names of those who sold their Letters of Appropriation.
×	Royal Patent Purifying Sea-water Company	
—	Bognor Improvements Company	

ⓘ	Aldrick, Mr. C.	Edmund-street Battle-bridge.
ⓘ	Atkinson, James	4, Bank Chambers.
ⓘ	Austin, Benjamin	28, George-street.
	Abecasis, J.	136, Houndsditch.
ⓘ	Brinlay, John	Lloyd's Coffee-house.
—	Blake & Tree	16, High-street Whitechapel.
ⓘ	Browning, Thomas	8, Gerrard-street Soho.
ⓘ	Brearly, J.	Stoke Newington-common.
ⓘ	Brearly, D.	Export office, Crutched-friars.
ⓘ	Binney, S.	17, Finch-lane.
×	Berle, William	7, Capel-court.
×	Bewus, James	9, Sweeting's-alley.
×	Berthelot, Minister	2, Bolton-court Piccadilly.
×	Banister, Charles	19, Nelson-square Islington.
—	Broad, G. A.	23, Great Canterbury-place Lambeth.
×	Baker, Robert	7, Spread Eagle-court Threadneedle-street.
—	Benjemane	9, Somerset-street Whitechapel.
×	Blanchard, C.	19, Raven-street Whitechapel.

(*continued*)

—	Bell, James	Arthur-street Commercial-road.
—	Bennwroth	8, Great Leonard-street.
	Clements, F. J.	1, Fenchurch-street.
	Cheltenham.	53, Tower-street.
×	Clifford, J.	St. John's Coffee-house Cornhill.
—	Clarke, W.	2, Alfred-place Waterloo-road.
×	Cook, John	8, Houndsditch.
—	Carter, David	29, Ashley-street Somers-town.
—	Cooper, J. W.	Grapes Tavern, Church-court Aldgate.
×	Clifford, Charles	8, Finsbury-square.
—	Chamberlain, W.	Surrey-grove Surrey-square.
	Clements, Charles	Edinburgh Castle, Sweeting's-rents.
×	Cleives, James	45, Friday-street.
×	Clapham, S.	Back's-row Hoxton.
×	Colduck, James	Plummer's —— Hoxton.
⊕	Cengdon, N.	104, Seymour-place Euston-square.
⊕	Crosley or Crossby, Dec.	Grove-lane Camberwell.
⊕	Cappadore, J.	11, Lombard-street.
⊕	Cramp, M.	Stock Exchange.
⊕	Coutts, William	Garnet's-place Ewen-street.
⊕	Carey, Jos.	18, Wht Melesford-street City-road.
⊕	Constantine, William	8, Capel-court.
⊕	Casley, George	6, Smith-street Cambridge-heath.
	Cater, H.	4, Westminster-road.
	Castello, J. N.	Beaumont-street Mile-end-road.
⊕	Donnington, William	Stock Exchange.
⊕	Delvals, J.	3, Liverpool-street.
⊕	Doughty, D.	9, Thavies Inn.
⊕	Durham, Mr.	Clapham-rise Surrey.
⊕	Delval, J.	5, Craven-place.
⊕	Dykes, James	32, College-street Chelsea.
⊕	Dodinead, S.	21, Liverpool-street.
⊕	Downs, W.	18, Lizard-street Oxford-street.
⊕	Evans, H. J.	52, Vine street Westminster.
⊕	Fitzpatrick, H. J.	Clement's Inn.
⊕	Forty, A. E.	16, Bishopsgate-street.
⊕	Fisher, Thomas	1, Ironmonger-street City-road.
×	Frazer, Charles	John's Coffee-house Cornhill.
	Fitzgerald, ——	201, Fleet-street.
	France, M.	15, North-buildings Finsbury.
⊕	Grosvisman, L.	16, St. James's-square.
⊕	Green, H.	91, Aldersgate-street.
⊕	Guild, Charles	3, Sherrard-street Golden-square.
	Graves, John	9, Finch-lane.
	Gilway, James	3, Copthall-buildings.
	Golding, H. M.	11, Jubilee-place Commercial-road.
×	Gregory, George	8, Brunswick-street.
×	Gunson, Robert	29, Henrietta-street Brunswick-square.
×	Green, George	Edinburgh Castle, Sweeting's-rents.
	Galindo, Phillip	York-place Barnsbury-park.
×	Grant, W. C.	11, Windsor-place City-road.
	Gee, D.	Grasshopper Coffee-house.
—	Gimperty, N.	45, Twiston-street.
—	Godfrey, W.	High-street Kingsland.
⊕	Hopley, Samuel	28, Great Winchester-street.
⊕	Hallpike, John	Richmond-place Dalston.
⊕	Herbate, Henry	25, King William-street Strand.
⊕	Holmes, John	9, Canterbury-place Lambeth.
	[Herbate, Henry.]	
	[Holmes, John.]	
⊕	Hawkins, William	11, Throgmorton-street.
⊕	Honeyman, Henry	26, Cornhill.
⊕	Harrison, Thomas	16, White Sun-street Norton Falgate.
⊕	Hawkesley, James	2, King-street Bath-street City-road.
	Hill, John	11, Jubilee-place Commercial-road.
×	Hands, John	Edinburgh Castle, Sweeting's-alley.
×	Hart, H.	Post-office, Barnet.
×	Hawkshead, R.	20, Pitt-street St. George's-road.
	Harrison, Richard	7, Fountain-place West-square.
	Heale, James	21, Upper George-street Bryanston-square.
—	Hill, Thomas	9, Essex-place Mile-end-road.
—	Holme, William	15, Nassau-street Middlesex Hospital.
—	Hersh, J.	7, Sherborn-lane.
—	Hanley, S.	33, Lawrence-lane.
×	Hackite, John	Sackville Hotel.
	Hawkshead, H.	13, Richmond-street Old-street-road.
—	Harrison, John	Exchange-buildings.
⊕	Jackson, John	Foreign Stock Exchange.
	Johnson, Richard	Copthall-buildings.
—	Johnson, George	2, Inner Temple-lane.

—	Johnson, S. M.	65, Old Broad-street.
—	Jackson, H.	36, Princes-street Soho.
×	Jones, John	Queen's Arms Hotel, Cheapside.
—	Jones, George	Foreign Stock Exchange.
—	Jeffries, Thomas	8½, Primrose-street Bishopsgate.
◐	Kirkwood, J. P.	7, St. Helen's-place.
	King, R. H.	11, Windsor-place City-road.
—×	Kemp, W.	7, George-yard Lombard-street.
◐	Langley, John	41, Bow-lane.
◐	Lay, Benjamin	2, Langbourn chambers Fenchurch-street.
◐	Lainbert, J. M.	11, Holliston-square Hoxton.
◐	Lawrence, T.	147, Fenchurch-street.
◐	Lucas, B.	17, James-street Euston-square.
◐	Lamb, R. S.	45, Grafton-street East.
×	Lingley, George	Jewin-court Jewin-square.
×	Levu, Thomas	9, Lawrence-lane.
◐	M'Arthur	4, Beer-lane Tower-street.
◐	Macarthy, J.	3, White Lion-court Throgmorton-street.
◐	Mansfield, John	4, George-buildings, Old-street-road.
◐	Montague, H.	20, James-place Hampstead-road.
◐	Maurice, J.	24, Crutched-friars.
◐	Morgan, H.	31, York-buildings Regent's-park.
◐	Maclairen, E.	16, Cross-street Lower-road Islington.
◐	Mortimer, E.	64, Hill-street Walworth.
	M'Kenzie	5, Old Broad-street.
×	Mudie, James	157, Fenchurch-street.
×	Miller, Andrew	248, Regent-street.
×	May, James	Exchange-buildings.
×	Manning, J.	Adams, Sweeting's-alley.
×	Marsh, S. J.	16, Union-court Bishopsgate-street.
	Moyle, M.	Baltic Coffee-house.
—	Morris, William	35, Shouldham-street.
—	Miles, Henry	94, Old-street-road.
—	Noble, Martha	22, Brunswick-street Hackney-road.
×	Newcomb, F.	78, Gracechurch-street.
—	Noble, H.	Carpenter's-buildings London-wall.
◐	Prankard, V.	21, Castle-street Finsbury.
◐	Pugh, Sarah	Melton-place Euston-square.
◐	Pink, Horatio	26, Rahere-street Goswell-road.
◐	Poor, William	80, Basinghall-street.
◐	Penn, H.	47, Old Gloucester-street Hoxton.
◐	Pride, B.	18, Castle-street Holborn.
◐	Plummer, John	5, Lambeth-square.
◐	Park, E.	21, Winchester-street Pentonville.
◐	Piper, J. E.	116, Fleet-street.
◐	Price, George	16, Union-street Moorfields.
◐	Phillips, Alexander	435, West Strand.
◐	Porter, H.	United University Club.
×	Pitt, C.	Curries, Cornhill.
	Pengerard, P.	11, Abchurch-lane.
×	Perkins, R.	31, Cornhill.
×	Parwisiene	6, Lamb-lane Hackney.
×	Phillip, John	34, Threadneedle-street.
—	Packwood, William	Northampton-street.
—	Piercy, M. L. [M.]	Stock Exchange.
—	Phillip, Morris	3, Bury-street St. Mary Axe.
—	Phillip, Robert	- - - ditto.
×	Pryke, George	108, Great Pulford-street.
◐	Rowley, P. A.	1, London-street Fenchurch-street.
◐	Richards, B.	9, Temple-place Hackney-road.
◐	Railton, James	56, Threadneedle-street.
◐	Redgrove, William	2, Parliament-street.
◐	Robinson, John	19, Tottenham-road Kingsland.
◐	Robinson, G. E.	Stock Exchange.
◐	Rolfe, F.	35, Great Marlborough-street.
◐	Ridley, Joseph	41, Threadneedle-street.
×	Reynolds, P.	2, Freeman's-court Cornhill.
×	Rosenburg, C.	Bank Coffee-house.
×	Rothwell, R.	Queen's Arms, Cheapside.
	Robinson, G. W.	25, Anderson's-buildings City-road.
×—	Rothwell, J.	Queen's Arms, Cheapside.
	Robinson, George	Upper Clifton-street Finsbury.
×—	Rothwell, J.	42, Threadneedle-street.
—	Rothwell, R.	- - - ditto.
◐	Stokes, J. C.	5, Bank Chambers.
◐	Sowerton, N. B.	5, Craven-place Old-street-road.
◐	Smithurst, W.	11, Belmont-terrace Wandsworth-road.
◐	Smith, Thomas	126, Goswell-street.
◐	Smith, Henry	52, Piercy-street Kingsland-road.
◐	Sitparts, A.	4, Clarendon-square.

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⊕	Simpson, G.	17, Liverpool-street.
⊕	Spearman, W. H.	3, Stamford-place York-road.
⊕	Street, F. R.	Stock Exchange.
⊕	Smedley, J.	32, Tower-street.
⊕	Stocken, George	13, Size-lane.
⊕	Sykes, George	Wright's Iron-gate Wharf.
⊕	Spear, John	2, Prospect-place.
⊕	Stocken, H.	7, Devonshire-square.
×	Smith, Thomas	2, London-street Fenchurch-street.
×	Stevens, S.	Edinburgh Castle, Sweeting's-alley.
	Slardwan	17, Cambric-row Whitechapel-road.
	Sydney, J.	63, St. Mary Axe.
—	Smith, F.	Flowers, Sweeting's-rents.
—	Short, John	2, Apollo-buildings Walworth.
	Smith, F. B.	3, London-wall.
⊕	Trimmers, Thomas	2, Shorter's-court.
⊕	Todd, G. H.	Rotunda Bank of England.
⊕	Thorman, George	77, Leadenhall-street.
⊕	Taylor, T.	8, Water-lane.
⊕	Temple, W.	2, Surrey-square Old Kent-road.
⊕	Trelawney, James	Peckham-grove Surrey.
⊕	Tyrrell, Francis	52, Charles-street Kennington.
⊕	Turner, J.	4, King-street Bloomsbury.
⊕	Treach, P.	29, Tower-street.
	Tucker, M. B.	68, St. Mary Axe.
⊕	Tompkin, N. H.	Tom's Coffee-house Cornhill.
—	Todd, Thomas	6, Lower Ashby-street Northampton-square.
—	Townshend, William	23, St. Swithin's-lane.
	Thompson, George	3, Oxford-street Commercial-road.
× ⊕	Whitehead, John	42, Liverpool-street.
⊕	Wright, Edward	12, Grafton-street Bond-street.
⊕	Whettenhall, P. P.	13, Copthall-court.
×	Wilson, R.	17, Cornhill.
×	White, James	Hearn & Co., brewery.
×	White, George	Threadneedle-street.
×	Wigram, John	50, London-wall.
×	Wilson, Francis	6, Doncaster-place Kent-road.
×	Williams, Edward	48, Elliott's-street George's-road.
	White, John	10, Liverpool-street.
×	Wood, Robert	8, Capel-court.
⊕	Yigonette, William	13, Little Brittain.
⊕	Yeovil, George	13, Rood-lane.
⊕	Young, Bartholomew	Bald-faced Stag.

Note.—Those without any mark are unworthy of having shares appropriated to them; ascertained by inquiry.

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APPENDIX TO MINUTES, 14 *March* 1837.

N.B.—The words and figures included within [ ] denote the same to be erased in MS., and the correction is denoted by smaller type.
The words and figures between ( ) are written in pencil in the MS.
The erasures in pencil are denoted by an asterisk.

LONDON AND GRAVESEND RAILWAY COMPANY ALPHABETICAL LIST.

Number of Letter of Application.	Number of Letter of Appropriation.	Folio of Ledger.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	Application for Shares.	Allotment.	When Paid.	Scrip when Delivered.
9	- -	-	Allender, George -	135, High-street Whitechapel	20		(References, &c.)	
102	- -	-	Ashford, William W.	Bristol-street Birmingham -	30			
117	350	-	Aguilar, Emanuel -	41, Great Prescott-street -	20	*20		
132	351	-	Andrews, A. - -	167, New Bond-street - -	100	*100	(Cancelled by W. Berney, esq., M.P.)	
197	- -	-	Ambrose, George -	at J. & T. Lyon, 2, Birchin-lane	10			
216	- -	-	Ansell, F. - -	41, Leman-street - - -	25			
221	- -	-	Aurquhart, W. - -	36, Crutched-friars - -	50			
230	- -	-	Arnett, John - -	Customs - - - - -	20			
283	352	-	Annichini, Pompey -	37, Fenchurch-street - -	46	*30		
285	166	-	Azuelos, J. - -	6, Bury-street St. Mary-Axe -	25	*25	(Of 25 shares.)	
286	167	-	Almosnino, S. - -	11, Bevis Marks St. Mary-Axe	80	80	Held 160, exchanged.	
344	- -	-	Allardice, George -	8, Pleasant row Shacklewell -	35			
395	- -	-	Abrams, Charles -	1, Storer-street Commercial-road.	10			
398	- -	-	Aguilar, S. - -	15, No. Buildings Finsbury -	20			
400	643	-	Aguilar, David -	5, Wickham-place Clapham -	40	*30		
401	- -	-	Amadeo, F. - -	18, Redcross-street Barbican -	20			
425	168	-	Almosnino, M. - -	Bury-street, City - - -	20	20	Exchanged for 40.	
443	353	-	Anderson, Robert B.	19, St. James's-street Liverpool	50	*50	(No property in Kent.)	
461	354	-	Anderson, James, M.D.	Plymouth - - - - -	10	*10	(Act by Mr. Henry , Cornwall Banking Company.)	
531	- -	-	Ayres, M. A. - -	21, King-street Finsbury -	50			
534	- -	-	Adams, William -	16, Manor-place Walworth -	20			
540	- -	-	Asser, Louis - -	147, Regent-street - -	30			
						(115)		
604	349	-	Allen, H. - -	23, Threadneedle-street - -	20	20		
633	- -	-	Allcock, H. - -	78, London-wall - - -	10			
653	- -	-	Aguilar, Joseph -	45, St. John-street Clerkenwell	20			
688	169	-	Austin, John - -	136, Oxford-street - - -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
693	- -	-	Ayckbourne, Hubert R.	38, Charles-street Parliament-street.	10			
720	- -	-	Allan, Henry - -	18, Hoxton-square - -	10			
746	355	-	Atkinson, Gerald -	Liverpool - - - -	30	*30		
765	- -	-	Alexander, William -	3, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	20			
780	- -	-	Ashton, Robert S. -	- - - - - - -	2	(Holds 2.)		
789	- -	-	Allsop, W. - -	2, Milne-street Claremont-square.	20			
792	- -	-	Arnold, W. J. - -	35, St. Swithin's-lane - -	15			
851	- -	-	Atkinson, George Wm.	4, Bank chambers, Lothbury -	40			
903	170	-	Armstrong, John -	Warrington - - - -	5	5	(5)	
932	- -	-	Allen, Louisa - -	77, Lower Grosvenor-street -	35			
982	171	-	Arbouin, Samuel -	21, Mark-lane - - -	300	300	(300)	
985	- -	-	Allen, William - -	14, Raven-row Whitechapel -	40			
1000	172	-	Alder, James - -	Baltic Coffee-house - -	10	10	(Holds 10.)	
1003	2	-	Ansley, Gilbert, esq.	6, Torrington-place Gower-st.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1010	173	-	Akerman, J. Y. -	26, Cornhill - - - -	115	115	15 exchanged for 7, 100 for 50.	
1011	356	-	Akerman, Hercules -	1, Hanover-street Rye-lane Peckham.	25	20		
1022	174	-	Andrews, Samuel -	17, Upper York-street, Bryanston-square.	4	4	Exchanged 8 for 4.	
1027 } 1107 }	175	-	Aylwin, John - -	90, Lower Thames-street -	100	100	Exchanged 200 for 100.	
1041	3	-	Attwood, A. - -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	20	20	Exchanged for 40.	
1135	- -	-	Austin, L. - -	3, Brompton-terrace - -	30			

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1169	357	-	Akermann, Emma -	Hanover-street Rye-lane Peckham. (1763.)	20	20		
1214	5	-	Axon, C. - - -	at Mr. Hardie's, Manchester -	[13]	[13]	*See* Herbert Hardie.	
1226	4	-	Attwood, E. M. -	13, Abingdon-street Westminster.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1248	176	-	Allen, Mundeford -	31, Bedford-row - - -	20	20	(20)	
1289	164	-	Ansley, B. F., esq. -	6, Torrington-place Torrington-square.	23	23	(Holds 45.)	
	677	-	Anderson, J. S. -	24, Austin-friars - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1067	135	-	Adams, John - -	Liverpool - - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	789	-	Ansted, Edward -	3, Gutter-lane - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	792	-	Atkins, John - -	5, White Hart-court Lombard-street.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	795	-	Attwood, Matthias, M.P.	27, Gracechurch-street - -	68	68	Exchanged 135 for 68.	
			Ditto - - -	- - ditto - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	801	-	Adams, William -	Stanhope-street Clare-market	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	812	-	Adams, William -	Chigwell - - - -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
	835	-	Attwood, Thomas Aurelius.	Birmingham - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10	
	839	-	Ansell, George - -	Saville place Mile-end - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	848	-	Alger, O. T. - -	82, Cornhill - - - -	30	30	Exchanged 60 for 30.	
	849	-	Arnold, John Roger -	Chigwell - - - -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
	855	-	Alpe, John - -	24, Finch-lane - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	857	-	Attwood, Matthias, M.P.	27, Gracechurch-street - -	55	55	Exchanged 110 for 55.	
3	-	-	Beesley, Thomas -	202, Regent-street Oxford-street.				
13	- -	-	Baker, A. T. J. -	2, Birchin-lane - - -	5			
30	- -	-	Burrell, Peter - -	35, Cornhill - - - -	5			
45	358	-	Burt, Thomas - -	Catherine-house - - -	15	*15	(The Secretaries especial.)	
50	- -	-	Bates, E. - -	39, Throgmorton-street - -	30			
52	360	-	Bragg, John - -	6, Throgmorton-street - -	60	*50	(G. Walter.)	
53	361	-	Bragg, J., for Lieut.-col. Mills.	U. S. Club - - - -	30	*30	(Ditto.)	
68	362	-	Brown, J. - -	17, Old Broad-street - -	50	*50	(W. Green.)	
74	- -	-	Bartie, David - -	10, Liverpool-street Broad-street.	20			
83	363	-	Boughton, T. B. -	Stock Exchange - - -	20	*20		
87	- -	-	Brookbank, John -	30, New North-street Red Lion-square	30			
89	364	-	Blair, James - -	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	50	50	(Holds 50 shares, Greenwich.)	
93	- -	-	Buchannan, J. - -	4, Frederick-place Old Jewry -	40			
107	365	-	Burne, R. L. - -	7, Bellevue Clifton - -	30	30	(Held 20 shares before.)	
122	366	-	Burton, John - -	3, New City Chambers - -	20	20		
137	- -	-	Barnard, J. Ewing -	17, Great St. Helens - -	20			
142	- -	-	Burgess, George -	57, Cornhill - - - -	10			
147	- -	-	Ballard, E. - -	3, Abchurch-lane - - -	40			
178	- -	-	Beaton, John - -	Consol-office Bank - -	15			
179	- -	-	Bloxam, Fraser -	Morden Surrey - - -	30			
184	- -	-	Bamfield, William -	7, Sweeting's-alley - - -	20			
192	177	-	Bryant, S. - -	- - ditto - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
203	- -	-	Browne, R. J. - -	38, Sidmouth-street Regent's-square.	45			
217	- -	-	Brealey, John - -	Stoke Newington Common -	25			
223	367	-	Bailey, A. H. - -	83, Cornhill - - - -	50	*40		
228	- -	-	Bullock John - -	Stock Exchange - - -	50			
238	- -	-	Begbie, G. C. - -	80, Dean-street Soho - -	25			
241	- -	-	Bride, William - -	4, Camden-hill villas Bedford-place Kensington.	30			
243	359	-	Burnett, William -	95, Park-street Gloucester-gate Regent's-park.	20	20		
244	- -	-	Bloxam, W. B. -	40, Broad-street buildings -	30			
245	- -	-	Bruce, R. - -	3, Trafalgar-square Charing-cross	50			
252	- -	-	Bryant, Matthew -	6, Penlington-place Westminster-road.	45			
282	- -	-	Bryson, T. - -	1, Claremont-cottage Newington-road.	30			
291	- -	-	Bensusan, S. - -	42, Duke-street Aldgate - -	10			
301	- -	-	Burns, Henry - -	1, Upper North-place Gray's-Inn-road.	25			

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308	- -	-	Bell, John - -	8, Westmorland-place City-road.	25			
319	- -	-	Bayley, Sons & Co. -	95, Wood-street City - -	30			
322	- -	-	Bohte, A. - -	apply Mr. Gustard, 1, Lancaster-place Waterloo-bridge.	20			
360	- -	-	Barnard, G. H. -	17, Great St. Helens - -	20			
361	- -	-	Bannister, J. - -	Willow-cottages Canonbury -	40			
381	- -	-	Burton, W. - -	11, Merrow-street Walworth -	30			
384	- -	-	Baker, C. - -	Bank of England - - -	10			
392	- -	-	Boulter, Daniel -	8, Mawbey-place South Lambeth	20			
394	- -	-	Broad, G. A. - -	72, Gracechurch-street - -	20			
397	- -	-	Belisario, L. - -	Wickham P. Clapton - -	20			
403	368	-	Browne, Frederick -	47, Fenchurch-street - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	
409	- -	-	Bailey, Joseph -	30, Southampton-street Strand	20			
414	369	-	Berridge, Joseph -	10, [Finch] Birchin lane - -	[10]	[10]	Cancelled.	
420	- -	-	Bensusan, T. - -	58, Lombard-street - -	20			
429	178	-	Brown, Humphry -	Gloucester - - - -	100	100	(Holds 80 shares.)	
480	370	-	Brown, W. A. - -	at Barclay, Perkins & Co.'s -	70	*50		
482	371	-	Blacket, Thomas -	9, London-street City - -	15	15	(Refers to Fred. G. Hamond.)	
483	- -	-	Blyth, J. A. - -	7, Mayfield-terrace Hoxton -	100			
490	- -	-	Bowman, R. M. -	1, Abchurch-lane - - -	25			
492	372	-	Buckland, Thomas -	20, Change-alley - - -	50	*30		
494	- -	-	Baber, G. Ed. - -	23, King-street Long-acre -	20			
495	- -	-	Billett, Charles -	Mr. Alexander's, Kennington-road.	20			
512	- -	-	Buxton, T. - -	15, Wood-street Cheapside -	15			
517	- -	-	Browning, T. - -	6, Leicester-place Albany-road	10			
536	- -	-	Buxton, Edward -	39, Kennington-lane - -	20			
543	- -	-	Barret, J. O. H. -	17, Lawrence-Pountney-hill -	30			
				(1765)		(230)		
562	373	-	Boult, E. S. - -	Liverpool - - - - -	20	*20		
576	374	-	Bald, J. - - -	- ditto - - - - - -	100	*80		
580 & 885	179	-	Beadle, E. F. - -	9, Kingsdown-parade Bristol -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
-	375	-	Blinman, L. - -	29, Stokes-cross Bristol - -	15	15		
-	376	-	Beadle, C. - -	9, Kingsdown-parade Bristol -	25	*25		
593	180	-	Baylis, A F. - -	New Basinghall-street - -	5	5	(Holds 5.)	
638	- -	-	Baines, Charles -	65, Coleman-street - -	10			
640	- -	-	Brown, L. H. - -	12, King William-street London-bridge.	40			
641	- -	-	Burgh, George -	19, Lincoln's-Inn-fields - -	15			
644	- -	-	Beetham, William -	Stoke Newington - - -	30			
-	- -	-	Beetham, Julia -	- - ditto - - - - -	20			
-	- -	-	Beetham, Sophia -	- - ditto - - - - -	10			
-	- -	-	Beetham, Emily -	- - ditto - - - - -	10			
-	- -	-	Beetham, Edward -	- - ditto - - - - -	10			
-	- -	-	Beetham, Henry -	- - ditto - - - - -	10			
645	- -	-	Boutleet, Frederick -	18, Noble-street Foster-lane -	40			
661	- -	-	Buck, Joseph -	30, Rodney-street Pentonville	20			
665	- -	-	Brown, Thomas -	3, Cinnamon-street Wapping -	40			
670	- -	-	Burnet, J. - -	White Lion-street Throgmorton-street.	20			
674	377	-	Banister, J. - -	at Messrs. Jones, Lloyd & Co.	25	20		
679	716	-	Balfour, James, Rev.	Curate, St. Olave's Chester -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*, C^s^ delivered.	
692	181	-	Birkenhead, John -	22, Park-walk Chelsea - -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
697	- -	-	Baines, John - -	Cumberland-cottage Middle-road Brixton.	30			
698	- -	-	Buckley, Walter -	12, Henry-street Pentonville -	20			
702	- -	-	Brown, Ambrose -	18, Marylebone-street Golden square.	20			
703	- -	-	Bebbington, Charles -	34, Bury-street St. James's -	15			
706	- -	-	Boohn, R. - -	90, Royal Exchange - -	50			
733	- -	-	Bulman, William -	41, London-wall - - -	20			
754	- -	-	Bannister, C. - -	Strahan-place, Ball's-pond-road	20			
761	- -	-	Bushby, Isaac - -	Bramley Park Bow - -	15			
769	- -	-	Barry, Charles - -	10, East-street Walworth -	30			
777	- -	-	Burnett, William -	96, Park-street Gloucester-gate	25			
867	- -	-	Boniface, E. - -	2, Castle-street Long-acre -	30			
869	- -	-	Blain, H. - -	51 Lime-street - - -	10			
898	292 6	-	Bassett, George -	1, Southampton-street Fitzroy-square.	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
899	182	-	Bassett, Henry -	Southampton-office ditto -	30	30	(Holds 60 in G. & Kent.	
904	- -	-	Beatty, William -	1, Great Knightrider-street -	15			
916	- -	-	Blake, Thomas John -	20, Queen-street Tower-hill -	25			

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917	- -	-	Brealy, John - -	Stoke Newington-common -	25			
919	- -	-	Broughton, B. -	Alie-place Alie-street - -	15			
927	664	-	Beever, John Holt -	Liverpool; say 20, *see* his own letter, 26 April 1836.	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
931	- -	-	Baker, William -	6, Park-road Regent's-park -	20			
937	- -	-	Brealy, Daniel - -	Export-office Crutched-friars - (3040)	20		(430.)	
957	- -	-	Bradley, Bruce -	48, Park-street Grosvenor-square	50			
965	- -	-	Bailey, John - -	37, Fenchurch-street - -	40			
971	7	-	Barber, R. G. & J. -	Nottingham - - - -	10	10	(Holds 20, have the scrip.)	
972	689	-	Brocklebank, —— -	Liverpool - - - 5	10	(Holds 10, the scrip in my possession.)		
–	727	-	Byford, Edward -	- ditto - - - 5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.		
994	8	-	Brown, William -	16, St. Vincent's-street East, Liverpool.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1009	9	-	Boisragon, H. C., M.D.	Crescent Cheltenham - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1047	10	-	Brooks, George -	31, Haymarket - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
1049	183	-	Blackburn, T. B. -	Liverpool - - - -	20	20	(Holds 20, *see* Charles Martin.)	
1054	184	-	Brize, J. B. - -	6, Queen's-row Pentonville -	15	15	(Holds 10.)	
1056	- -	-	Boucaut, James -	4, Ivy-cottages Albany-road -	10	10	Holds 10.	
1074	- -	-	Benabo, —— - -	2, Little Prescott-street - -	20			
1080	- -	-	Belisario, R. M. -	4, Sutton-place Homerton -	10			
1087	11	-	Bayly, C. A. - -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	25	25	(Holds 50, Mr. Phillpotts.)	
1089	- -	-	Butler & Harris -	Finsbury-square - - -	50			
1097	12	-	Bishop, W. N. -	Sanford-place Stoke Newington	30	30	(Holds 60.) Exchanged 60 for 30.	
1100	13	-	Byrn, Trist & Byrns	5, Crown-court Philpot-lane -	25	25	Exchanged for 50.	
1106	- -	-	Boulter, Daniel -	8, Manley-place South Lambeth	30			
1109	- -	-	Belisario, J. M. -	10, Tyssen-terrace Dalston-lane	15			
1114	14	-	Bell, J. W. - -	2, Shorter's-court - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
1121	15	-	Bayley, George -	Stock Exchange - - -	95	95	(Holds 190.) Exchanged 190 for 95.	
1128	185	-	Bell, John William -	Lloyd's - - - -	10	10	(Holds 10.)	
1144	378	-	Bamfield, Charles -	Boot-maker, 16, Angel-court -	15	10		
1146	- -	-	Bache, Morris Adolphus	42, Rupert-street - - -	25			
1147	- -	-	Brenan, E. - -	41, High Holborn - - -	30			
1154	- -	-	Barker, C. - -	50, Crutched-friars - -	80			
1159	16	-	Bedwell, Frederick -	Stock Exchange - - -	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
1160	17	-	Bedwell, Percival -	- - ditto - - - -	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
1166	18	-	Brand, Charles -	Kennet and Avon Canal-office Bath.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1171	- -	-	Brownell, J. - -	Mr. Beart, 174, Fleet-street.				
1183	19	-	Browne, John - -	26, Tonbridge-place New-road (3658)	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
1193	20	-	Bailey, Alfred - -	Stock Exchange - - -	288	288	Exchanged for 575.	
1212	21	-	Browning G., Liverpool	at Henry Tribe's, 9, Austin-friars	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8, C. S.	
1223	688	-	Buggles, —— ditto -	Richard Dawson - - -	10	10	(Holds 20.) Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1229	22	-	Barber, Richard, esq.	Nottingham - - - -	10	10	(Holds 20, scrip with W. & F. Atkinson, 17, Exchange-buildings.)	
1245	- -	-	Bushnell, A. - -	14, Old Quebec-street Oxford-street.	20			
1255	186	-	Beloe, William C. -	Friar's Sugar Refinery Bristol	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
1261	- -	-	Boileau, J. P. - -	30, Upper Brooke-street -	[25]	The property of S. J. Boileau.		
1264	- -	-	Brown, J. - -	30, Gerrard-street Soho -	20			
1266	187	-	Brome, F., esq. -	Albany-street - - -	1,040	1,040	(*See* No. 773.)	
	649	-	Barton, William -	10, Throgmorton-street - -	5	5	Held 10 Dover; exchanged.	
	650	-	Barnett, Henry -	373, Strand - - - -	15	15	Held 25; exchanged, and paid 5 *l.*	
	657	-	Bose, Hermann Christ.	Virginia Coffee-house - -	6	6	Exchanged for 12.	
	658	-	Boileau, S. J. - -	16, Southampton-buildings -	70	70	Exchanged 140 for 70.	
	670	-	Bolton, John - -	17, Surrey-place [Blackfriars-road] Old Kent-road.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 20.	
	671	-	Brown, James - -	Cumberland-place New-road -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	673	-	Brothers, John -	Leamington - - - -	450	450	Exchanged 900 for 450.	
	742	-	Barnett, Elija - -	Birmingham - - - -	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
	749	-	Blount, Walter -	- ditto - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	753	-	Barwell, John - -	- ditto - - - -	30	30	Exchanged 60 for 30.	
	764	-	Beilby, Robson -	- ditto - - - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	
	766	-	Blood, Richard -	- ditto - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8, C. S.	
	769	-	Baker & Leach -	280, Oxford-street - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	771	-	Blake, John - -	Doctor's Commons - -	280	280	Exchanged 560 for 280.	

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	773	-	Frederick Brome, [Edward] -	Woolwich - - - -	705	705	Exchanged 1,410 for 705.	
	776	-	Brown, E. B. - -	7, Haberdasher's-place Hoxton	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	778	-	Beilby, Robson -	Birmingham - - - -	25	25	Exchanged, sent to Birmingham for 50, 1st December 1836.	
	802	-	Bird, Martin - -	Church-street St. Saviour's Borough.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	809	-	Bright, John, esq. -	- - Skiffington-hall Market Harborough.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	811	-	Barker, John - -	77, Basinghall-street - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
	819	-	Bond, Charles - -	62, Cannon-street - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	834	-	Burnett, Elija - -	Birmingham - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	841	-	Borradaile, William -	Barge-yard - - - -	120	120	Exchanged 240 for 120.	
	842	-	Blackmore, Richard -	3, Trafalgar-place West Hackney-road.	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
	845	-	Borradaile, William -	Barge-yard - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1	379	-	Currie & Woodgate -	Lincoln's-Inn - - -	1,000	1,000		
2	- -	-	Cooper, H. - -	Stock Exchange - - -	50			
6	- -	-	Caughton, J. - -	35, Abchurch-lane - -	30			
25	- -	-	Crowder, Charles -	2, Cross-lane St. Mary-hill -	15			
54	188	-	Capper, Charles -	Lloyd's - - - -	30	30	(A proprietor of 20 shares: Secretary.)	
55	189	-	Capper, George -	Crosby-square - -	50	50	(A proprietor of 50 shares: Secretary.)	
63	380	-	Clements, John -	21 & 22 Pultney-street - -	20	15	(Was a proprietor.)	
70	381	-	Cooper, H. H. - -	16, Old Broad-street - -	50	(40)	(Friend of Mr. Brown's.)	
80	- -	-	Clarke, George -	4, Cleveland-place Camberwell New-road.	50			
91	- -	-	Campbell, J. - -	25, King-street Camden-town -	20			
92	- -	-	Cowen, L. P. - -	91, Great Russell-street Bloomsbury.	15			
101	748	-	Cope, Edward - -	Solicitor, Birmingham - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
138	- -	-	Cole, George - -	Secretary Southend Railway, 11, Mark-lane.	50			
146	- -	-	Clark, J. - -	5, Waterloo-road - - -	20			
159	- -	-	Clark, Joseph - -	13, London-terrace Hackney-road.	20			
161	- -	-	Castello, Jacob Nunes	Beaumont-st. Beaumont-square	30			
173	- -	-	Colthrup, G. - -	3, St. George's-terrace, Trinity-square.	2			
180	- -	-	Corbould, D. - -	Southwark-bridge wharf Bank-side.	20			
185	382	-	Cuell, Edward - -	10, Finch-lane - - -	20	(20)		
189	- -	-	Clapham, Samuel, S.	8, Westmorland-place City-road	30	- -	(Mr. Walter.)	
206	- -	-	Christy, Alexander, jun.	4, Muscovy-court Tower-hill -	10			
207	- -	-	Chick, M. - -	4, Princes-street Bedford-row -	20			
225	190	-	Cook, Francis - -	22, Critchell-place, New North-road.	25	25	(Holds shares of the Direct.)	
232	- -	-	Curtis, J. - -	3, Buckingham-street Pimlico -	30			
236	- -	-	Cleghorn, Joseph -	11, Lombard-street - -	50	- -	(A proprietor in the Greenwich, has relatives, freeholders, Gravesend.)	
240	- -	-	Cooke, Samuel Fr. -	8, Houndsditch - - -	20			
247	- -	-	Carvalho, Dav. Nunes	147, Fleet-street - - -	5			
258	- -	-	Chalmers, James -	60, Elizabeth-street Hackney-road.	20			
			Chalmers, Edward -	- - ditto - - - -	15			
264	[26]	-	Chambers, William -	Reading, twice applied for -	[5]	[5]	Cancelled.	
267	383	-	Clent, Thomas -	Bristol, 7, Charlotte - street Queen-square.	50	50	(Very good.)	
275	384	-	Chell, John - -	Old Swan Glass Liverpool -	10	10		
287	- -	-	Cleghorn, S. A. -	18, Stepney-terrace Stepney-green.	30	-	(Freeholders at Gravesend, doubtful.)	
288	- -	-	Cleghorn, T. K. -	Gravesend - - - -	50			
303	- -	-	Clifford, J. - -	Tom's Coffee-house - -	50			
318	- -	-	Collingwood, Jos. -	Stock Exchange - - -	20			
326	385	-	Clutterbuck, John -	at Messrs. Hoare's Fleet-street	20	20		
337	386	-	Chalk, J. A. - -	Lombard-street chambers -	50	30		
346	- -	-	Cater, J. - - -	14, Old Jewry - - -	25			
350	- -	-	Chater E. - -	29, Bedford-square - -	20			
358	- -	-	Collins, P. - -	8, Charles-street City-road -	30			
364	387	-	Collins, William -	2, Broad-street Buildings -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*	
365	- -	-	Cheeseman, Robert S.	1, Bell-yard Doctors' Commons	20			

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366	-	-	Cokes, John	54, Goswell-street	20			
385	-	-	Chambers, Charles	11, Holles-street Cavendish-square.	60			
388	-	-	Cocker, Edwin	Arthur-street London-bridge	20			
389	-	-	Curline, James	Kingsland-green	20			
428	711	-	Clemison, John, esq.	Chester	25	25	Paid 50 *l.*, Cs delivered.	
442	91	-	Cowan, William	Toxteth Lodge Liverpool	100	100	Exchanged 200 for 100.	
444	388	-	Cochrane, Wm. W.	23, Earl-street St. Paul's-square Liverpool.	20	20		
459	389	-	Carson, John	6, St. James-street Sheffield	10	10		
462	192	-	Clarke, Joseph	Leicester	10	10	(Holds 5 shares.)	
469	-	-	Cooke, W.	8, Capel-court	20			
497	390	-	Carige, J. H.	Wareham-hall near Ashford	50	50		
499	-	-	Clarke, Philip	10, Southwark-square	40			
513	-	-	Chalmers, John	6, Little Carter-lane	15			
526	-	-	Carter, W.	42, Hendon-street Vauxhall-road.	15			
556	-	-	Clarke, P. C.	Devonport	[10]	-	Cancelled.	
559	24	-	Carruthers, George	Lancaster	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
570	391	-	Carson, James B.	Liverpool, 43, Wood-street	50	50		
584	392	-	Cooke, William	11, Mansion-house-street	25	25		
587	-	-	Crager, John	Coal-merchant, 31, College-street Chelsea.	20			
594	-	-	Clarke, Thomas	30, Cannon-street	50			
595	-	-	Cobb, William	78, Norton-street Portland-place.	40			
597	-	-	Carlisle, John	5, London-terrace Hackney-road	10			
605	-	-	Carpue, Henry	3, Bloomfield-street Finsbury	30			
607	-	-	Coulson, John	4, Pilgrim-street Ludgate-hill	30			
614	-	-	Chapman, William	9, Wells-street Falcon-square	20			
616	193	-	Chamberlain, W. R.	21, Surrey-grove Surrey-square	30	30	(Holds 3 Gravesend, and is a proprietor of 27 Greenwich Gas.)	
623	393	-	Chapman, C. P.	Zinc mills Dartford	20	20		
629	722	-	Cross, W., esq.	Mayor of Chester	25	25	Paid 50 *l.*, Cs delivered.	
654	-	-	Cowen, L. P.	91, Great Russell-street Bloomsbury.	30			
667	-	-	Constantine, William	18, John-street Holywell-mt.	20			
710	-	-	Carr, John	34 & 35, Cateaton-street	30			
726	-	-	Coston, Matthew	Rotunda Bank	50			
738	-	-	Cooper, Henry John	3, Northampton-square	20			
750	394	-	Catterall, Henry John	Bolton Railway-office Liverpool.	10	10		
753	-	-	Crafter, John	28, Nicholas-lane	25			
762	-	-	Chivers, Samuel	20, Devonshire-street Mile-end	15			
771	-	-	Collins, R.	-	25			
772	-	-	Carter, J.	29, Brunswick-street Hackney	20			
783	395	-	Cooper, Charles	27, Gracechurch-street	10	10	(At Messrs. Spooner & Attwood.)	
785	-	-	Clarick, A.	67, Old Broad-street	15			
786	-	-	Collinson, Henry	17, Bedford-place Russell-square.	25			
799	-	-	Chalmers, James	3, High-street Herne Bay	15			
803	-	-	Corse, George, Sandford, esq.	Chester	[50]	*See* William Sprent.		
807	1243 194	-	Cadett, James, M. D.	1, Chester-terrace Regent's-park, 29, Great Portland-street	75	75	Exchanged 150 for 75.	
838	-	-	Clark, George	1, Coborn-terrace Bow-road	20			
883	195	-	Clacy, J. B.	27, London-street Reading	[25]	[25]	Cancelled.	
897	196	-	Clarke, John	1, Southampton-street Fitzroy-square.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
908	25	-	Chambers, William	Market-place Reading	5	[5]	Sold out.	
927	733	-	Critchley, William	Liverpool	10	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
979	-	-	Carmichael, William	68, Old Broad-street	50			
998	26	-	Cruden	Gravesend	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
1033	27	-	Clayton, Joseph	31, Haymarket	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1034	197	-	Cussens, W. G.	Bristol	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
1036	28	-	Collett, Thomas	60, Upper Stamford-street	100	100	(Holds 200.)	
1039	-	-	Creasy, John	10, New Boswell-court	15			
1045	198	-	Clouston, T.	31, Keppel-street Russell-square	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
1061	199	-	Castello, J. N.	Beaumont-street Beaumont-square.	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
1066	29	-	Clark, J. S.	5, Angel-court Throgmorton-street.	140	140	Exchanged for 280.	

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1072	694	-	Crawford, James -	Liverpool - - - -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
1102	- -	-	Cartlage, John -	188, High-street Wapping -	20			
1104	30	-	Clifford, Charles -	18, Finsbury-street Finsbury-square.	30	30	Exchanged for 60.	
1105	- -	-	Crawford, Henry -	9, Barnard's-Inn Holborn -	15			
1112	- -	-	Coupland, W. B. -	75, Freeschool-street Horsley-down.	25			
1126	- -	-	Coventry, Edward -	24, Queen-street Clerkenwell -	10			
1129	- -	-	Collett, William -	11, Fell-street Wood-street City	25			
1140	- -	-	Cooper, Richard -	12, Millbank-street Westminster	10			
1150	396	-	Cape, Jon., Rev. -	Croydon, Professor at Addiscombe.	50	50	(Col. Utterton.)	
1158	200	-	Culshaw, R. - -	67, Mark-lane - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1162	31	-	Catherwood, George	3, Warnford-court - - -	25	25	(Holds 50.)	
1172	- -	-	Craske, J. - -	4, Vaughan-terrace City-road -	5			
1186	201	-	Cooper, George -	Reading - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1206	- -	-	Clarke, James - -	48, Prospect-place St. George's road.	30			
1215	202	-	Clifford, Edward -	82, Grosvenor-street - -	30	30		
1216	32	-	Cook, W. - -	41, Mydelton-square - -	[10]	[10]	Cancelled.	
1219	501	-	Currie, James - -	Lincoln's Inn - - -	50	50	(Holds 50.)	
1233	33	-	Charrington, William	21, Cross-street Hatton-garden	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1235	397	-	Clark, Thomas, jun. -	55, Lionel-street Birmingham -	50	50	Paid 100 *l.*, certs. given.	
1241	- -	-	Collis, H. C. - -	Bank of Birmingham - -	50			
1242	34	-	Collard, R. H. -	2, Waterloo-place Bristol -	2	2	Exchanged 3 for 2.	
1246	35	-	Cartwright, D. -	Loughboro' Leicestershire -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
1247	783	-	Cooke, Richard -	Leicester - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
1299	654	-	Cape, Joseph, Rev. -	Clare-hall Cambridge - -	30	30	Paid 60 *l.*, received crts. 5 Nov.	
	661	-	Cope, Benjamin -	26, Barbican - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	665	-	Collins, Charles Fred.	33, Spital-square - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	728	-	Crewe, Richard -	at Mr. Dawson's, Liverpool -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	736	-	Cooke, John - -	Manchester - - - -	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
	781	-	Cummins, Mary Anne	Bowness-house, Kennington -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	799	-	Coulson, Robert -	19, Whisken-street - -	1	1	Exchanged 2 for 1.	
	801	-	Collett, William -	Royal Hotel St. James's -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	808	-	Cooke, Henry - -	8, Houndsditch - - -	190	190	Exchanged 380 for 190.	
	815	-	Coulton, William -	Surrey Canal-house - -	10	10	Exchanged 10 for 10, paid 10 *l.*	
	830	-	Cork, Daniel - -	Leadenhall-market - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
	843	-	Chapman, William -	Blackfriars'-road - - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	
	854	-	Carr, Samuel - -	Half-moon-crescent Pentonville	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	808[a]	-	Cook, Henry - -	8, Houndsditch - - -	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
	858	-	Chaplin - - -	Sudbourn Suffolk - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	859	-	Cuel, Edward - -	*See* 859, Edward White.	—			
	859[a]	-	Ditto - - -	Finch-lane - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
32	- -	-	Dickenson, John -	18, Addle-street Aldermanbury	30			
72	203	-	Daniel, A. R. - -	61, Lincoln's-Inn-fields - -	100	100	(Holds 50, to be addressed to T. B. Ferrars, 12, Copthall-court.)	
78	398	-	Delisser ——, surgeon	1, Woburn-place Russell-square	50	50		
113	- -	-	Dorrington, C. -	9, Harleyford-street Kennington	20			
114	- -	-	Dorrington, William -	- - ditto - - - -	20			
193	399	-	Della Torre, Jos. -	9, Lamb's Conduit-street -	60	50		
214	- -	-	Dickenson, R. L. -	21, King-street, Finsbury-square	20			
261	- -	-	Davison, Robert -	4, Falcon-street Falcon-square	30			
305	- -	-	Desourmeaux, M. -	2, Priory-place Camberwell New-road.	30			
343	204	-	Dunn, John - -	52, Great Tower-street - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
354	- -	-	Davis, J. - -	10, Medcroft-place New-road Islington.	10		(Holds scrip in G. and D.)	
407	- -	-	Dalrymple, Thomas -	30, Abchurch-lane - - -	30			
423	400	-	Diamond, Albert -	1, Suffolk-lane Cannon-street -	20	20	(Mr. Perkins.)	
433	401	-	Daniel, J. A. - -	Bristol - - - - -	10	10		
445	402	-	Davies, Thomas -	Liverpool - - - - -	50	50		
449	403	-	Davies, Henry - -	- ditto - - - - -	50	50		
450	404	-	Davies, Mary - -	44, Upper Parliament-street Liverpool.	30	30	(Widow of Rev. James Davies.)	
452	405	-	Davies, William -	Liverpool, merchant - -	100	80		
475	205	-	Davis, William -	Messrs. Hammersley - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
485	- -	-	Du Bois, J. - -	Peckham Grove - - -	30			
502	- -	-	Davis, S. - -	7, Mitre-street Aldgate - -	30			

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520	-	-	Dodd, J. J. - -	3, N° Gall[y] Auction Mart -	20			
521	-	-	Dickenson, John -	18, Addle-street Aldermanbury	20			
527	-	-	Douglas, George -	31, Brunswick-square - - (850)	50	(Says he has great landed interest on the line, 35.)		
588	406	-	Davis, James - -	Guardian Assurance Office, 11, Lombard-street.	10	10		
624	-	-	Deedy, P. - -	43, Penton-street Pentonville -	30			
634	-	-	Day, John - -	25, Westminster Bridge-road -	40			
662	206	-	Day, Benjamin -	New York Tavern - - -	30	30	(Holds 20 shares.)	
685	207	-	Du Bois, Charles -	46, Albermarle-street - -	15	15	(Holds 15.)	
715	407	-	Dennis, John - -	Salisbury (ordered by Wells & Son, 40, Lothbury).	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
744	408	-	Dodgson, Jonathan -	21, Hanover-street, Liverpool -	15	10		
782	409	-	Domers, James -	Deal - - - - - -	5	5	(Known to Mr. M. Hammond; says he is a landed proprietor.)	
784	-	-	Dorkins, William -	16, Hunter-street Brunswick-square.	30			
791	410	-	Deacon, T. K., Capt. R. N.	9, Scarsdale-terrace Kensington	5	5	Paid 10*l.*	
822	-	-	Davis, Robert - -	15, Gloster-place Hackney-road.	15			
823	208	-	Dunman, Thomas -	Stock Exchange - - - -	10	10	Exchanged for 10, paid 10*l.*	
839	411	-	Davis, Thomas -	Leather Factory Bank Merton	20	20		
—	412	-	Davis, Charles - -	- ditto - - ditto -	10	10		
868	209	-	Day, James - -	Richmond or John's Coffee-house.	20	20	(Holds 20.)	
882	210	-	Drawater, A. C. -	Brighton Dorchester - -	20	20	Paid 20*l.*, exchanged for 20. (Banks at Glyn & Co.)	
911	413	-	Devonshire, J. R. -	2, New-court St. Swithin's-lane. (1195)	60	50 (In Mr. Rothschild's house.) (170)		
951	211	-	Downes, C. - -	Warwick-street Charing-cross -	40	40	(Holds 100.) Exchanged 80 for 40.	
975	36	-	De Reimer, J. A. -	19, King-street Portman-square	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
991	212	-	Dibsdall, Silas -	Bristol - - - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
992	-	-	Dawson, Richard -	Liverpool - - - 15	[30]	*See* W. A. Smith.		
993	213	-	Douglas, Sir Neil Col. K. C. B.	Caen - - - - - -	250	250	(Holds 50.)	
1001	37	-	Dobinson, Robert -	9, Devonshire-place Newington-green.	3	3	Exchanged 6 for 3.	
1015	214	-	Dibbin, H. - -	Basing-lane - - - - -	5	5	(Holds 5 Dover.)	
1057	38	-	Deare, Thomas -	26, Cornhill - - - - -	30	30	(Holds 60.)	
1087	414	-	De Charmes, W. M. -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	30	30	(Mr. Phillpots.)	
1131	39	-	Desanges, Louis -	Stratford-place - - -	25	25	(Holds 60.)	
1151	40	-	De Medina, H. -	32, Fitzroy-square - - -	33	33	Exchanged 65 for 33.	
1168	41	-	Darnley, J. - -	23, Commercial-road Stamford-street.	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
1170	215	-	Dilworth, W. J. G. -	13, Newcastle-street City -	10	10	Paid 10*l.*, exchanged 10.	
1178	-	-	Dawson, Richard -	Liverpool - - - - -	40	(Sends 80, in my possession. R. S.)		
1179	42	-	Dewhurst, Thomas -	Lancaster - - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
1181	-	-	Dawson, Richard -	Liverpool - - - - (1969)	[38]	*See* Anty. Nicholl. (981)		
1189	-	-	Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - (1984)	15	(Sends 30.)		
1195	43	-	De Grave, Edward -	St. Martin's-le-Grand - -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
1214	44	-	Downes, John - -	at Mr. H. Hardie's, Manchester	[13]	[13]	*See* Herbert Hardie.	
1253	45	-	Hugh Douglas. Donaldson, [H.D.], M.D.	3, West-street Finsbury-circus	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
1293	638	-	Davies, David, Rev. -	Cliddesdon Rectory Basingstoke, Messrs. Palmer & Hope, Royal Exchange.	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
	640	-	Dodgson, Wm. Oliver	2, North Piazza, Royal Exchange.	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1297	646	-	Dawson, Thomas -	Paradise-street Lambeth -	20	20	(Holds 40.)	
	697	-	Drakeford, John -	Manchester - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	735	-	Dunnington, Thomas	Hardwicke Manchester - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	765	-	Drake, James - -	Birmingham - - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3. C. S.	
	770	-	Dowell, [James] Charles	Peckham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	806	-	Dawson, Thomas -	26, Paradise-street Lambeth -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	853	-	De Salis, William Fane	Carlton-gardens - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	

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48	- -	-	Emerson, A. - - -	Cold Harbour-lane - -	40			
86	- -	-	England, H. - -	11, Poultry - - - -	10			
95	216	-	Evans, Thomas F. -	Law Society Chancery-lane -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
181	- -	-	Evans, Edward - -	Messrs. Hoare, 37, Fleet-street	20			
211	- -	-	Elderton, Clement M.	8, Springfield Wandsworth-road	3			
219	- -	-	East, Edmund - -	Leigh-house Lower Tooting -	50	(An original shareholder.)		
321	- -	-	Evert, William - -	54, South Molton-street - -	10			
338	- -	-	Edwards, T. - -	107, Upper Stamford-street -	100	(Refers to his banker's paper, Hopkinson & Spooner.)		
352	- -	-	Ellis, Edward W. -	26, Mortimer-st. Cavendish-sq.	80	(Refers to Glyn, Halifax & Co.)		
476	217	-	Edkin, R. P. - -	3, Terrace Kensington - -	40	40	(Holds 40 shares.)	
498	653	-	Emerson, George -	Cold Harbour-lane Camberwell	[30]	5	Held 10, Dover, exchanged.	
500	218	-	Ewart & Bell - -	2, Shorter's-court - - -	100	100	Paid 100*l.*, exchanged for 100.	
610	- -	-	Evans, John - -	4, Crescent-place Lambeth-rd.	30			
651	46	-	Eastwick, Rev. James	Stamford Northamptonshire -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
668	- -	-	Edmeads, Thos. F. H.	Wrotham, or 33, Surrey-street Strand.	40			
686	- -	-	Edwards, William -	30, St. Martin's-le-Grand -	30			
701	- -	-	East, John - -	18, Marylebone-st. Golden-sq.	20			
793	219	-	Evans, R. E. - -	23, Chapel-street Pentonville -	50	50	(Holds 10, recommended by Mr. Walter.)	
842	- -	-	Edwards, H. - -	1, Great Cambridge - street, Hackney-road. (698)	15			
941	220	-	Emes, Josiah - -	Birmingham - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1009	47	-	Eastwood, Thos, esq.	Lancaster - - - - (838)	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1075	1277 221	-	Eastwick, Thomas -	Northampton - - - (831)	6	6	Paid 6*l.*, gave certificates for 6 shares.	
1267	48	-	Everett, Charles W. -	Salisbury, by Thomas Gibbes, 8, Capel-court.	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
1296	645	-	Eusten, John - -	10, Hart-street Mark-lane -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	669	-	Elliott, William -	32, Whiskin-street St. John-street-road.	1	1	Exchanged 2 for 1.	
	679	-	Edwards, Thomas -	Golden Cross-hotel - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
37	415	-	Francis, Thomas -	T. Godwin, Stock Exchange -	25	15	(George Walter.)	
40	416	-	Flockton, Stephen -	1, Hatton-court Threadneedle-st.	100	50	(ditto.)	
43	417	-	Flockton, Webb -	Catherine-house Blackheath -	15	15	(The Secretaries especial.)	
44	418	-	Flockton, Thomas	- - ditto - - - -	15	15	(ditto.)	
64	- -	-	Folker, John - -	3, Nagshead-court Gracechurch-street.	25			
127	- -	-	Fleming, J. W. -	6, Craven-street Strand - -	25			
151	- -	-	Forbes, William -	12, Dalston-place Dalston -	10			
170	419	-	Franco, F. M. - -	Lloyd's, 15, North Bdgs. Finsbury-circus.	30	20	(Was a proprietor.)	
182	- -	-	Findlow, J. C. - -	29, St. John-square, Clerkenwell	30			
209	- -	-	Finucane, John -	Stock Exchange - - -	30			
246	- -	-	Fisher, Robert -	at Messrs. Bennett & Paul, solicitors, Bucklersbury.	50			
254	- -	-	Fawcett, Walter T. -	6, Adelaide-pl. London-bridge	100			
255	- -	-	Foster, John - -	2, Bridge-street Southwark -	10			
266	420	-	Fry, Zephaniah -	Bristol - - - - -	30	30	Paid 60*l.*, certificate given.	
274	421	-	Fowler, John - -	23, Hunter-street Liverpool -	20	15		
276	422	-	Fowler, Robert -	Water-street - ditto - -	20	15		
325	- -	-	Fryer, Thomas - -	3, Barbican - - - -	20			
332	- -	-	Fownes, Edward - -	Bank of England - - -	10			
340	222	-	Fairy, Albert F. -	Thornton-heath Croydon -	15	15		
382	- -	-	Fearnley, Charles -	32, Broad-street-buildings -	30			
441	423	-	Found, John - -	3, Water-street Liverpool -	50	25		
472	223	-	Foreman, W. Henry -	45, Leadenhall-street - -	15	15	Paid 3*l.*, exchanged 27.	
509	424	-	Follett, William -	7, Harpur-street Bloomsbury - (700)	20	20		
559	49	-	Foxcroft, —— - -	Lancaster - - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
577	425	-	Falk, Robert - -	Elding - buildings Cleveland-square.	100	75		
598	426	-	Fagan, J. H. - -	3, Spread Eagle-court Threadneedle-street.	50	50	(Recommended by Col. Utterton.)	
599	427	-	Facan, Christopher -	- - ditto - - - -	50	50		
606	- -	-	Freeman, Edward -	11, Clarendon-square New-road	30			
613	224	-	Foreman, W. Henry -	59, Great Prescott-street -	[10]	[10]	Cancelled.	
631	- -	-	Findlow, Joseph C. -	29, St. John's-sq. Clerkenwell -	20			
646	- -	-	Fish, John - -	19, Gloster-street Queen-square	10			
648	- -	-	Faircloth, William -	29, Tokenhouse-yard - -	20			

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655	- -	-	Forty, Arthur E. -	10, Baker-street Bedford-square East.	20			
749	428	-	Found, W. N. - -	4, Toxteth-park Liverpool -	100	75	(Liverpool and Manchester Railway.)	
767	- -	-	Free, Charles - -	22, Queen's-row Pentonville -	20			
775	429	-	Fisher, Richard -	44, Lincoln's-inn-fields - -	50	50		
833	430	-	Francis, —— - -	Eltham - - - - -	20	20	(Known to Mr. Walter.)	
858	- -	-	Fricker, C. - -	Kingsland-basin Hertford-road	30			
881	721	-	Franks, George -	Chester - - - -	5	5	Paid 10*l.*, c^e^ delivered.	
900	50	-	Farrow, J. Lawrence -	38, Oxford-street Reading -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
926	- -	-	Ford, Thomas - -	14, Holloway-place Holloway - (1280)	25			
945	51	-	Faith, George - -	36, Mincing-lane - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
948	- -	-	Fraser, Charles -	Garraway's - - - -	20			
952	52	-	Foulkes, Abel - -	Chester - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
959	- -	-	Farwig, Lud - -	16, Rupert-street Haymarket -	10			
981	225	-	Fellon, James - -	Royal Mews Pimlico - -	20	20	Paid 15*l.*, exchanging 15 5 remain.	
1007	226	-	Flindt, Gustavus -	Baltic Coffee-house - -	[35]	[35]	Cancelled, sold.	
1029	- -	-	Fairman, Blenherhassett H. W.	British Coffee-house - -	12			
1030	53	-	Feilden, John - -	6, George-st. Portman-square -	115	115	Exchanged 230 for 115.	
1052	54	-	Foster, W. J. - -	8, Castle-alley Royal Exchange	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1062	- -	-	Francis, T. G. - -	5,Adams-court Old Broad-street	20			
1087	431	-	Foster, William -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	30	30		
1095	55	-	Friend, J. - -	4,Howford-build. Fenchurch-st.	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1156	227	-	Foster, Daniel - -	St. Alban's - - - -	50	50	Paid 20*l.*, (holds 80).	
1173	- -	-	Fawcett, Josiah -	9, Wormwood-street Bishopsgate. (1632)	10		(532)	
1202	- -	-	Fitzgerald, James Andrew -	201, Fleet-street - - -	20			
1210	56	-	Froom, [Edward] -	98, St. John's-road Islington -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1232	57	-	Fox, William - -	Gloucester - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1272	58	-	Fayle, Charlotte -	16, Aldermanbury - - -	50	50	Exchanged for 100.	
1280	59	-	Franklin, Abraham -	Manchester - - - -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
1285	228	-	Farquhar, T. N. -	1, Crown-ct. Threadneedle-st.	10	10	Paid 10*l.*	
	704	-	Fisher, T. Makin -	Manchester - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
			Field, John - -	11, Throgmorton-street - -	5	5	Paid 10*l.*	
4	- -	-	Grant, Colin, A.M. -	Peckham-park - - -	20			
24	- -	-	Goodwin, Henry -	44, East-street Manchester-sq.	50			
37	- -	-	Godwin, Thomas -	Stock Exchange - - -	25			
69	432	-	Gardner, P. - -	37, Old Broad-street - -	50	30	(Friend of Mr. Brown.)	
71	- -	-	Gould, T., Captain -	16, Panton-square - - -	50			
124	- -	-	Gordon, G. - -	6, Bank Chambers - - -	50			
148	- -	-	Gunson, Henry -	4, Adams-court Broad-street -	30			
172	433	-	Godin, Stephen -	3, York-place Kingsland-green	20	15	(Friend of Mr. Pommier W. G.)	
176	- -	-	Green & Co. - -	13, Queen-street May-fair -	30			
210	- -	-	Geach, R. R. - -	3, Leigh-street Burton-crescent	50			
212	- -	-	Garrett, James -	1, New Broad-street-court -	[10]	- -	Cancelled.	
220	- -	-	Gompertz, Alexander	Tiverton-street - - -	20			
233	- -	-	Greenhill, James C. -	8, Austin-friars - - -	30			
268	229	-	Green, John - -	Norwich Union office, Birmingham.	75	75	Exchanged 150 for 75.	
269	230	-	Goodess, Alfred Iliff -	95, New-street - ditto -	[55]		Sold.	
284	- -	-	Green, C. - -	88, Sun-street Bishopsgate -	25			
307	- -	-	Griffith, C. - -	9, Myrtle-street Hoxton - -	30			
330	- -	-	Goldsmid, A. A. -	18, Marylebone-st. Piccadilly	50			
362	- -	-	Grenville, G. - -	1,South Ireland-place Clapham-road.	20			
386	- -	-	Gray, James C. -	56, Quadrant - - -	100			
391	- -	-	Gye, Edward - -	Burnett's distillery Vauxhall -	25			
404	- -	-	Green, H. - -	85, Aldersgate-street - -	40			
428	707	-	Gerrard, Enoch -	Chester - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 25, page 75.	
477	231	-	Griffith, Robert -	16, Cloudesley-square, at Mr. James S. Berkeley, 18, Threadneedle-street.	30	30	Exchanged for 20, paid 40*l.*	
514	- -	-	Gardner, Richard -	7, Brunswick-square Deptford (1020)	10		(220)	
556	434	-	Gilbard, James, esq. -	Devonport - - - -	20	20	(By Devon and Cornwall Banking Company.)	
560	435	-	Gibson, Charles -	12, Rumford-street Liverpool -	50	25		
563	436	-	Grundy, J. Hancock -	Liverpool - - - -	50	25		
571	437	-	Glover, Henry - -	57, Gloster-street Liverpool -	50	25		

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572	438	-	Griffin, John, merchant	Liverpool - - - -	20	15		
574	439	-	Gibson, T., solicitor -	Alloa - - - - -	100	50		
627	- -	-	Grant, W. Charles -	8, Park-place New Peckham -	20			
629	712	-	Gough, Richard -	Chester - - - -	100	100	Paid 200 *l.*, C^s delivered.	
630	440	-	Gorten, William -	22, Gutter-lane - - -	30	15		
763	- -	-	Galot, J. S. - -	52, Kenton-st. Brunswick-sq. -	20			
796	- -	-	Gallerand, Julian -	Hammersmith - - -	35			
800	- -	-	Gilson, Thomas -	5, Bucklersbury - - -	30	- -	(By Mr. Walter.)	
804	441	-	Gillaind, Richard -	62, London-road Liverpool -	20	15		
805	- -	-	Gunson, Robert -	West Ham Essex - - -	20			
812 } 1046 }	60	-	Griffiths, Wm. Tamlin	5, Cambridge-st. Edgeware-road	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
832	- -	-	Gurlach, John J. -	27, Thomas-street Hackney-rd.	10			
847	442	-	Gilliard, James -	64, Brownlow-hill Liverpool -	[30]	[20]		
872	- -	-	Goodwin, Henry -	13, London-lane Hackney -	30			
873	443	-	Grant, James, jun. -	Bromley-hall Middlesex - -	10	10		
874	- -	-	Goodman, B. - -	1, Snow-fields Bermondsey-st. -	25			
878	232	-	Gunter, Richard -	Berkeley-square - - -	3	3	Paid 4 *l.*, exchanged for 3.	
901	444	-	Green, Jane - -	2, Paragon-place New Kent-rd.	50	50		
—	445	-	Green, Julia - -	- - - ditto - - -	30	30		
—	446	-	Green, Virginia -	- - - ditto - - -	30	30		
				(1893)			(300)	
1023	61	-	Giraud, Richard -	11, Leonard-place Kennington	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
1031	233	-	Green, Frederick Wm.	Bristol - - - - -	43	43	Exchanged 85 for 43.	
1044	234	-	Gardiner, William -	7, Tavistock-st. Bedford-square	10	10	(Holds 15.)	
1077	- -	-	Greene, H. P. - -	9, Albion-hill Ramsgate - -	40			
1090	- -	-	Grant, James, jun. -	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	15			
1149	447	-	Grantham, Mary -	Croydon - - - -	20	20	Paid, 27 June, 40 *l.*	
1157	235	-	Gregson, J. - -	67, Mark-lane - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1165	62	-	Gr win, Thomas -	Stock Exchange - - -	133	133	Exchanged for 265.	
1176	- -	-	Godfree, William -	High-street Kingsland - -	20			
				(2194)			(702)	
1212	62	-	Gilliatt, —— - -	Liverpool, at Henry Tribe, 9, Austin-friars.	[15]	[15]	Sold to Lucas.	
1220	64	-	Gewes, Thomas -	141, Regent-street - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1223	- -	-	Gartside - - -	Liverpool, Richard Dawson -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
1270	236	-	Gibson, George -	22, Basinghall-street - -	20	20	(Holds 20.)	
1252	65	-	Grundy, Thomas -	Northampton - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1261	66	-	Greenall, John, esq. -	Walderspool Chester - -	[22]	[22]	Returned to S. J. Boileau.	
1286	162	-	Grubbe, J. A. Hunt, Rev.	Bedford-place Kensington -	150	150	Exchanged 300 for 150.	
1293	637	-	William James Goodeve, esq.	[Liverpool] Clifton Bristol, Messrs. Palmer & Hope, Royal Exchange.	85	85	Exchanged 170 for 85.	
	663	-	Goullett, Charles, Lieut. R. N.	Pendine near Carmarthen, the deed signed by Mr. Frederick Goode, Surrey-street Strand.	88	88	Exchanged 175 for 88.	
	668	-	Guichard, Lawrence -	32, Whiskin-street, St. John's-street-road.	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, paid	
	685	-	Gardom, Samuel Geo.	37, Threadneedle-street - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	700	-	Germon, Nicholas -	Manchester - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	740	-	Greaves, Jessie -	Birmingham - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	780	-	Goodwin, William -	Kidderminster - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	814	-	Griffith, Charles -	Gloster-place Hackney-road -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
7	- -	-	Hall, John - -	33, Surrey-street Strand -	20	- -	(S. Ridge, Stock Exchange.)	
19	- -	-	Hort, Abraham -	6, South-street - - -	50			
22	- -	-	Hort, Alfred W. -	- - - - - - -	40			
26	- -	-	Hill, Frederick -	Winkworth-wharf Upper Thames-street.	100			
37	- -	-	Hoys, William - -	T. Godwin, Stock Exchange -	25			
47	448	-	Hamond, Frederick -	Catherine-house Blackheath -	100	100	(The secretaries especial.)	
76	449	-	Hand, John - -	84, Cheapside, hatter - -	30	15		
75	- -	-	Hindes, A. - -	Somerset-house - - -	20	- -	(Says he has an interest in the line.)	
109	450	-	Hawes, E. - -	9, Vittoria-place Clifton - -	40	20		
121	- -	-	Hine, Robert, LL. D.	10, Union-crescent New Kent-road.	30			
133	- -	-	Harral, T. - -	8, Great Queen-street Lincoln's-Inn-fields.	20			
202	- -	-	Harvey & Co. - -	11, Coleman-street - -	30			
208	- -	-	Hook, James - -	Nelson-terrace Stoke Newington	10			
213	451	-	Hudson, W., solicitor	39, Keppel-street - - -	15	15		

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256	- -	-	Hewitt, William -	77, Upper Stamford-street -	30			
259	- -	-	Hill, Richard, solicitor	101, Chancery-lane - -	50			
279	- -	-	Hart, Henry - -	Dover - - - - -	—			
296	- -	-	Hare, John - -	3, St. Michael's-alley - -	100	- -	(Director in the Exeter and Kent, also a proprietor.)	
300	- -	-	Hull, James - -	19, Skinners-street Finsbury -	5			
310	- -	-	Hopley, Samuel, & Co.	28, Great Winchester-street -	30			
315	- -	-	Howard, J. - -	5, Upper Fitzroy-place New-rd.	20			
316	- -	-	Hillyar, Josiah -	8, Torrington-mews East, Russell-square.	4			
317	- -	-	Harris, L. B. - -	2, Friday-street - - -	50			
334	237	-	Hammond, Memden -	27, Lombard-street - -	20	20	(Has 13 or 15 shares.)	
335	452	-	Hammond, John -	14, Oval cottages Hackney-rd.	20	20	(Father of the above.)	
336	453	-	Hammond, Charles -	1, Billiter-court - - -	30	20	(Brother of Mr. ——.)	
341	1236	-	Hawley, John - -	Coventry-street - - -	[15]	- -	Cancelled, sold out.	
405	- -	-	Hopson, Thomas -	180, Fleet-street - - -	10			
406	- -	-	Haynes, William -	3, St. Michael's-alley - -	50			
413	- -	-	Hodgson, T. - -	9, Hertford's-place Haggerstone	10			
418	- -	-	Hilliard, Geo. Richard	2, Fonthill-place Clapham-road	50			
426	- -	-	Hewitt, James - -	2, Luke-street Finsbury - -	10			
428	708	-	Harrop, William -	Chester - - - -	25	25	Paid 50 *l.*, certs. delivered.	
435	454	-	Harcourt, S. - -	Birmingham, 56, Wharf - -	25	15		
437	455	-	Hargrove, John -	Birmingham, Great Hampton-street.	20	15		
447	456	-	Haddleston, John -	11, Great George-st. Liverpool	50	30		
448	457	-	Hensman, Anne -	Liverpool - - - - -	30	20		
451	458	-	Hensman, Henry, surgeon.	38, Rodney-street, Liverpool -	40	25		
458	238	-	Hesp, Edward Lake, solicitor.	Huddersfield - - - -	100	100	(Holds 200.)	
463	239	-	Holmes, Rupert -	43, Cherry-street Birmingham	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
464	240	-	Hall, John - -	Lancaster, address to Mr. F. Proctor, 2, Grove Hackney.	20	20	Paid 20 *l.*, exchanged.	
465	459	-	Hartley, Thomas -	Halifax - - - - -	10	10		
466	460	-	Hartley, Bernard -	ditto - - - - - -	50	30		
479	241	-	Harryson, George -	Jerusalem Coffee-house - -	25	25	(Holds 5.)	
518	- -	-	Hanson, G. - -	20, North-street, Hackney -	20			
530	461	-	Harding, Job - -	2, Clarence-place Bristol-road Birmingham.	40	20		
554	242	-	Hignett, John, solicitor	Chester - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 10, paid 40 *l.*	
557	462	-	Hobbes, Wm. James	60, New Hall-street Birmingham	30	20		
558	- -	-	Harwood, James -	Birmingham - - - -	50	- -	*See* 1201.	
596	463	-	Harris, W. R. - -	11, Mansion-house-street -	25	25	(Recomm[d] by Mr. Yates.)	
603	- -	-	Hedges, Richard -	11, St. James-walk Clerkenwell	20			
622	- -	-	Hinde, Henry Pelly -	30, George-st. Hanover-square	10			
626	- -	-	Hinton, William -	15, Clement's-lane - - -	15			
629	715	-	Holmes [George] James	Chester - - - -	5	5	Paid 10 *l.*, C[s] delivered.	
636	- -	-	Hester, John - -	81, Cheapside - - -	20			
637	- -	-	Halle, Thomas J. -	2, Arthur-street Monument -	15			
660	- -	-	Henzell, Edward -	3, Old Fish-street-hill - -	10			
672	- -	-	Hamilton, William -	56, Quadrant Regent-street -	100			
676	243	-	Hamber, Thomas -	6, Barnsbury Park - -	100	100	(Holds 50, highly respectable, landlord to Mr. T. J. Boileau.)	
678	464	-	Hunt, Charles - -	Market-place Bath - -	10	10		
681	- -	-	Harris, John - -	Birmingham - - - -	—			
687	465	-	Heathcock, Thos., esq.	Reading - - - -	10	10		
700	- -	-	Haynes, Joseph -	10, Henry-street Pentonville -	10			
707	- -	-	Hall, William - -	21, Walcot-place Lambeth-road	15			
718	67	-	Hannah, Jos. - -	25, Canterbury-row Kennington-road.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
722	- -	-	Hall, Thomas - -	8, Foster-lane - - -	15			
737	- -	-	Harrison, Thomas -	16, White Lion-street Norton-falgate.	25			
742	- -	-	Hester, Joseph -	81, Cheapside, boot-maker -	30			
757	- -	-	Hallpike, John -	Park-road Dalston - -	15			
773	- -	-	Hamond, William -	2, Kennington-lane - -	10			
781	244	-	Haslewood & Sons -	15, Angel-ct. Throgmorton-st.	100	100	Paid 100 *l.*, exchanged.	
797	- -	-	Hay, Francis, surgeon	51, Newgate-street - -	50			
810	466	-	Hay, William - -	Tom's Coffee-house - -	30	30		
811	467	-	Halse, J. - - -	17, Exchange-buildings - -	30	30		
828	- -	-	Hatchwell, W. -	In Teller's-office Bank - -	20			
834	468	-	Hitch, Charles - -	Lord Chamberlain's-office St. James' Palace.	5	5	Paid 28th 10 *l.*, certificates delivered.	

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841	- -	-	Huldert, John - -	21, John-street Harpur-street New Kent-road.	20			
844	720	-	Harling, William -	Chester - - - - -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*, C^{s} delivered.	
870	469	-	Horne, Charles -	Library, 105, Cheapside - -	20	10		
871	- -	-	How, John - -	17, Trafalgar-street Walworth -	20			
880	470	-	Hancorne, Edward -	4, Euston-square - - -	50	25		
887	471	-	Hinde, John - -	Sittingbourne, attorney-at-law	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*	
–	472	-	Hinde, Robert - -	Milton next Sittingbourne -	2	2	Paid 4 *l.*	
–	473	-	Hinde, Robert, jun. -	- ditto - - - -	3	3	Paid 6 *l.*	
914	474	-	Hamond, Chas. F. -	Catherine-house Blackheath-rd.	20	20	(Suppose Mr. Fred. Hanson.)	
923	- -	-	Hamond, William -	2, Kennington-lane - -	15	- -	(The father - - ditto.)	
933	475	-	Hodges, George -	Shorne, near Gravesend - - (2759)	40	40	(453)	
963	- -	-	Haynes, Charles -	9, Little St. Thomas Apostle -	20			
996	- -	-	Harper, Edward -	57, Greenfield-street Commercial-road.	20			
1008	245	-	Hort, Abraham -	6, South-street Finsbury-square	10	10	(Holds 10.)	
1013	68	-	Hastings, Thomas -	28, Clements-lane - - -	5	5	(Holds 10, Dover.)	
1026	69	-	Hardman, Wm. E. -	Liverpool - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	70	-	Hardman, C. F. -	- ditto - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
1040	246	-	Howard, Wm. Waters	13, Raven-row Mile-end -	10	10	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
1048	247	-	Harrison, R. & W. -	Austin-friars - - - -	310	310	(310)	
1059	476	-	Hand, R. - -	East Sheen - - - -	50	50	(Recom^{d} by Mr. Borradaile.)	
1018	71	-	Harris, Henry - -	Cirencester - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
1070	- -	-	Harvey, James -	Brudenell-place New North-rd.	10			
1071 1205	72	-	Hoskin, Robert -	10, Tokenhouse-yard - (8)	[15]	8	(Holds 15, altered to 8.)	
1110	73	-	Heseltine, E. - -	24, Finch-lane - - -	13	[13]	Sold out.	
1118	74	-	Henderson, Gilbert -	at E. H. Browne, 12, Angel-ct.	20	20	(Holds 40.)	
1130	- -	-	Hodgley, Edward -	Stratford Essex - - -	20			
1134	- -	-	Hammond, Edward -	16, Hanscomb-place Union-road Clapham.	20			
1136	248	-	Hooper, John - -	7, Birchin-lane - - -	500	500	(Holds 500.)	
1167	249	-	Hamilton, John Wm.	40, Broad-street buildings -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged for 5.	
1180	250	-	Hoghton, Charles -	10, John-st. Adelphi, 49, Hamilton's-terrace St. John's Wood.	25	25	Paid 25 *l.*, exchanged.	
1184	251	-	Hialey, S. R. - -	Liverpool, Messrs. J. Field & Son, 11, Throgmorton-street. (3825)	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5; certificates lost, but indemnified by Messrs. Field & Son.	
1197	252	-	Harrison, Robert -	Austin-friars - - - -	20	20		
1201	75	-	Harwood, John -	Ann-street Birmingham - -	120	120	Exchanged 240 for 120.	
1214	76	-	Hardie, Herbert -	Manchester - - - -	300	300	Exchanged for 600.	
	77	-	Hardie, James - -	- ditto - - - -	38	38	Exchanged 75 for 35.	
	78	-	Hardie, Mrs. E. -	- ditto - - - -	[38]	[38]	Herbert Hardie.	
1222	79	-	Habgood, Thomas -	16, Hatton-garden - - -	18	18	Exchanged 35 for 18.	
1231	80	-	Hopper, Rev. Ralph Lambton.	Clevedon near Bristol - -	40	40		
1239	81	-	Holladay, F. - -	Montague-parade Bristol -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
1250	82	-	Hellings, Robt. Hawkins.	19, Old Bond-street Bath -	60	60	Exchanged 120 for 60.	
1251	83	-	Humphreys, Jos. -	Newport Salop, say Liverpool -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C. S.	
1258	731	-	Head, John - -	Liverpool - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1274	84	-	Hall, William - -	83, London-road Southwark -	83	83	Exchanged 165 for 83.	
1026	609	-	Hardman, Joseph -	[Liverpool] Highgate, at Mr. Rougemont Lloyd's.	7	8	Exchanged 15 for 7.	
	675	-	Hannen, William -	Shaftesbury Dorset, deed signed by Mr. Scott.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	682	-	Hillington, Ann -	Edgbaston Birmingham - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	698	-	Higson, John - -	Manchester - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	729	-	Hall, Eaton - -	Liverpool - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	732	-	Harris, Thomas -	- ditto - - - -	62	62	Exchanged 124 for 62.	
	734	-	Hall, William - -	83, London-road Southwark -	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
	738	-	Holmes, Edward -	Moseley near Birmingham -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	744	-	Haines, Thos. Aug. -	Birmingham - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	751	-	Harford, John - -	- ditto - - - -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
	775	-	Harris, James - -	14, Tottenham-court-road -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	777	-	Hills, Joseph - -	Bath - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	790	-	Hopkinson, Charles -	Fenton's Hotel St. James's -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	791	-	Harrison, Richard -	Liverpool - - - -	100	100	Exchanged 200 for 100.	
	800	-	Hughes, Edward -	Smeeth-hill Ashford - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	807	-	Harman, Pettus -	14, Throgmorton-street - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	816	-	Hall, William - -	Mount Nod cottage Streatham	55	55	Exchanged 110 for 55.	
	840	-	Hare, John - -	Bristol - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	

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	816	-	Hall, William - -	Streatham - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
	850	-	Harris, Chas. A., Hon.	Oriel Col. Oxford - - -	3	3	Exchanged for 5.	
16	- -	-	James, Wm. Thomas	4, Old Broad-street - -	50	- -	Cancelled.	
62	- -	-	Jackson, Henry -	Garraway's Coffee-house -	20			
77	- -	-	Issit, Charles - -	85, Strand - - - - -	10			
—	- -	-	Issit, Mrs. Elizabeth -	- ditto - - - - -	5			
112	- -	-	Isaac, A. - -	37, Nottingham-place Commercial-road.	20			
135	- -	-	Johnston, W., M.D. -	4, Camden-st. Hampstead-road	50			
140	- -	-	Johnston, Robt. J. -	4, Camden-street Gloster-place St. Pancras.	100			
149	- -	-	Jones, E. - -	6, Sidney-pl. Commercial-road	20			
157	- -	-	Jeeves, Thomas -	11, West-side Royal Exchange	100			
177	- -	-	Jackson, Morris Lewis	22, Lewisham-lane Greenwich	20			
194	477	-	Joyce, Thomas -	Lyncombe-hill Bath - -	20	10		
195	- -	-	Isaacson, Phineas -	22, Berners-street Commercial-road East.	20			
235	- -	-	Jerram, Samuel -	Williams' cottage St. Ann's-road Brixton-road.	20			
237	- -	-	Jukes, Jas. A. - -	Lincoln chambers Gate-street	15			
299	- -	-	Johnson, Chas. -	377, Oxford-street - - -	10			
306	- -	-	Jones, Thomas -	5, Belmont-terrace Wandsworth-road.	20			
331	- -	-	Jackson, Henry -	Godfrey-row Shacklewell -	20			
379	253	-	Jeffkins, John - -	Crosby-square - - -	15	15	(Hold 30.)	
380	254	-	Jeffkins, George -	- ditto - - - -	15	15		
383	- -	-	Jones, John - -	4, King-street Surrey-square -	30			
402	- -	-	Johnson, J. - - -	54, Brunswick-st. Hackney-rd.	25			
416	- -	-	Irvine, Richard -	White cottage Montpelier Walworth.	10			
464	255	-	Jackson, Robert -	Lancaster, address to Mr. F. Procter, 2, Grove Hackney.	20	20	Paid 20 *l.*, exchanged.	
468	478	-	Johnston, Robert -	Stock Exchange - - -	80	50	(Mr. Geo. Walter.)	
515	- -	-	Jones, T. - -	Liverpool-street Walworth - (735.)	30			
582	479	-	Innes, James - -	Queen's Arms hotel Cheapside	15	15	(Recomm^{d} by Mr. Yates.)	
635	- -	-	Johnstone, J. C. -	54, Great Ormond-st. Queen-sq.	10			
657	- -	-	Jessimin, E. - -	16, Bellevue-pl. Mile-end-rd.	30			
683	480	-	Jones, Edward - -	Bristol, ordered by Mr. G. Palmer.	25	25		
694	- -	-	Jackson, Henry -	8, Philpot-terrace Edgware-rd.	25			
735	- -	-	Johnson, C. - -	3, Decrespigny-terrace Denmark-hill.	20			
768	- -	-	Jenkins, J. - -	67, Old Broad-street - -	20			
829	- -	-	Jackson, J. - -	44, Rupert-street Haymarket -	30	- -	(Same as Underwood, 821.)	
843	- -	-	Jarvis, J. B. - -	Accountant's Drawing-office Bank.	20			
849	- -	-	James, Charles -	51, Cirencester-place Mary-lebone.	40			
850	- -	-	Jones, Edward -	3, Vincent-st. Old-street-road -	25			
905	- -	-	Izod, George - -	3, Bartholomew-lane - -	10			
922	- -	-	James, William -	42, Durham-street Hackney-rd.	10			
927	725	-	Irlam, Captain John -	Liverpool - - - 5	105	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1091	502	-	Ireland, Rich. -	26, Throgmorton-street - -	20	10		
1093	- -	-	Johnson, Thomas -	4, Larkhall-lane Stockwell -	10			
1139	- -	-	Judd, J. R. - -	Gate-street Lincoln's-inn-fields	25			
1152	- -	-	Jeremy, John - -	20, Bucklersbury - - -	20			
1182	481	-	Jones, J. - - -	152, London-road Liverpool - (1070)	10	10	(60)	
1194	754	-	Irlam, Miss Eliz. Cowley.	Liverpool - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1230	85	-	Johnson, W. S. -	Bristol - - - - -	88	88	Exchanged 175 for 88, paid 1*l.*	
1249	- -	-	Jessurun, E. - -	16, Bellevue-pl. Mile-end-road.	20			
1260	86	-	Jewer, Jowertt -	26, Grove-terrace Kentish-town	100	100	(Holds 200.)	
	752	-	Jackson, William -	Birmingham - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	761		Irlam, Miss Betty -	Liverpool - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C. S.	
	785	-	Ireland, John - -	Robert-street Bedford-row -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	793	-	Inall, George - -	Islington - - - -	200	200	Exchanged 400 for 200.	
	805	-	Jeeves, Thomas -	7, Smith-street Northampton-sq.	20	20	Exchanged 20 for 40.	
	828	-	Johnson, Samuel -	Bristol - - - - -	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
	805[a]	-	Jeeves, Thomas -	7, Smith-street Northampton-sq.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	855	-	Johnson, A. P. -	Lloyd's - - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
29	- -	-	Karkeek, H. H. -	Stock Exchange - - -	20			

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42	- -	-	Kennedy, —— -	2, Wilton-street Belgrave-square	50			
103	482	-	Kenway, P. - -	Hunton-hill, Birmingham -	20	10		
104	483	-	Kearsley, Thomas -	Ordnance wharf, Birmingham	30	15		
292	484	-	Kemp, John - -	7, Garden-row, Gravesend -	25	15		
393	- -	-	Kent, Henry - -	7, Lawrence-lane - - - (195)	50			
583	485	-	King, William R. -	111, St. Martin's-lane - -	15	15	(Recommd by Mr. Yates.)	
600	- -	-	Knight, Thomas -	22, Northampton-street Cambridge-road.	12			
621	- -	-	Kemble, J. - -	4, St. Helena-place Wilmington-square.	30			
732	- -	-	King, R. N. - -	11, Windsor-place, City-road -	20			
802	486	-	Kelbrick, Richard -	18, Lower Castle-st. Liverpool	40	20		
813	487	-	Kelly, Walter R. -	17, Wellington-road St. John's wood.	50	50	(Recommd by Lieutenant Brothers.)	
902	488	-	Kennaby, James -	Westminster-buildings - -	30	30	(William Green.)	
927	690	-	Kelly, Francis - -	Liverpool - - - - 5 (402)	10	- -	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
954	489	-	Kennaby, James, sen.	Westmorland-buildings - -	100	100	(W. Green.)	
960	490	-	Kelly, Michael -	30, Bankside - - -	10	5		
970	87	-	Kempson, Samuel -	Birmingham - - - -	168	168	Exchanged 335 for 68. [Still holds 200.]	
990	- -	-	Kirby, John - -	41, Bow-lane Cheapside - -	50	- -	(Refers to David Lowe, esq., same place.)	
1073	88	-	Kelland, M - -	Hastings - - - -	8	8	(Holds 18.)	
1125	89	-	Kennelly, Denis -	25, College-street Southwark -	25	25	Exchanged for 50.	
1148	- -	-	Keep, W. - -	3, Church-terrace St. Pancras Old Church. (795)	25		(410)	
1196	- -	-	Keatch, Thomas -	17, Graham-street King's-road Chelsea.	20			
1199	90	-	Konig, Frederick -	Liverpool - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	652	-	Knight & Son - -	Stock Exchange - - -	[5]	[5]	Not their property.	
	672	-	King, George - -	Farnborough, Warwickshire -	75	75	Exchanged 150 for 75.	
	759	-	Kilvert, John - -	Bath - - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	831	-	Kaines, James - -	20, New-road St. George's East	1	1	Exchanged 2 for 1.	
20	491	-	Legh, Edward -	The Limes, Lewisham - -	30	20	(A proprietor at Newington, Kent.	
33	492	-	Lake, Thomas, jun. -	9, Cateaton-street - - -	30	15		
59	- -	-	Leonard, R. - -	47, King's-square Goswell-road	50			
61	- -	-	Leo, Ansel - -	St. Alban's-place St. James's -	50			
96	680	-	Langley, Thomas -	Birmingham - - - -	38	38	Exchanged 75 for 38.	
98	- -	-	Lovell, Edward Bourn	Handsworth Birmingham -	100	- -	(A proprietor and banker.)	
128	- -	-	Lewis, Edward -	17, College-hill - - -	10			
129	- -	-	Lisle, John M. -	129, Regent-street - - -	50			
155	- -	-	Lieven, B. G. - -	53, Great Coram-street Russell-square.	30			
166	256	-	Lindo, E. H. - -	14, St. Mary-axe - - -	40	40	Exchanged for 80.	
168	- -	-	Lee, S. J. - -	49, Maidstone-buildings Great Prestcott-street.	25			
190	493	-	Levin, William Charles	Baltic Coffee-house - -	25	25	(Wm. Walter.)	
222	- -	-	Lawson, Robert -	3, Bush-lane, Cannon-street -	20			
265	494	-	Lawrance, A., esq. -	Bath - - - - -	20	20	(Ordered by Mr. Moger, banker.)	
357	- -	-	Liviero, E. - -	5, Wenlock cottages City-road	25			
371	- -	-	Lawes, Thomas -	27, Lombard-street - -	100			
415	495	-	Lechmere, T. - -	18, Great Coram-street Brunswick-square.	10	10		
417	- -	-	Lewis, Richard -	48, Clarendon-st. Clarendon-sq.	25			
424	91	-	Lechmere, Luther -	Winchester-house - - -	[100]	[100]	Sold out.	
431	257	-	Land, W. H. - -	Bristol - - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
461	496	-	Law, John, esq. -	Stonehouse Devon - -	10	10		
519	- -	-	Luard, James Henry	12, Princes-row Walworth -	15			
528	- -	-	Levy, J. - - -	63, Pleasant-place West-square	35			
532	- -	-	Lee, Washington -	4, Old Dorset-pl. Clapham-road	10			
537	- -	-	Levy, Barnett - -	29, Mitre-street Aldgate - (945)	30			
555	497	-	Lambert, James -	Bradford, Yorkshire - -	50	25	Paid 50 *l.*	
591	- -	-	Lawrence, Thomas -	14, Queen-street May-fair -	25			
619	- -	-	Largent, William -	18, Cross-street Newington-butts.	25			
639	- -	-	Little, J. S. - -	4, Park-place South, King's-road Chelsea.	20			
664	498	-	Lovell, William -	8, Duke-street, St. James's -	30	20		
680	258	-	Lane, John Edward -	Great Berkhampstead - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	

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684	- -	-	Lewis, J. - -	63, Fenchurch-street - -	15			
739	- -	-	Lowe, Richard -	1, Princess-square, Kennington-cross.	15			
740	- -	-	Lambert, Edward -	3, Jewry-street Aldgate -	20			
741	- -	-	Lambert, Edward, jun.	Queen-street Northampton-sq.	10			
801	499	-	Lambley, Abraham -	14, Waterloo-street Birmingham	15	10		
824	- -	-	Lumley, William -	4, Little Drummond-street Euston-square.	20	- -	(A general applicant.)	
837	- -	-	Lindsay, Francis -	2, Sweetings Rents - -	30			
844	719	-	Lloyd, Edward Watson, esq.	Chester - - - - -	10	10	Paid 20*l.*, C^{s} delivered.	
864	- -	-	Lake, E. - - -	White-Lion-passage Birchin-lane.	25			
892	- -	-	Letch, James - -	8, Old Jewry, at James Kines -	15			
894	- -	-	Leonard, Mr. M. -	5, Grove Hornsey-road - -	30			
906	- -	-	Lake, E. - - -	White-Lion-passage, Birchin-lane.	25			
924	- -	-	Lockington, C. -	42, Duke-street St. James's - (1390)	10			
980	259	-	Liggens, John Wheatley	68, Wood-street Cheapside -	50	50	(Holds 80.)	
999	260	-	Ladd, E. N. - -	4, John-street Jubilee-place, Commercial-road.	20	20	(Holds 10.)	
1009	92	-	Lewis, John, barrister	Montpelier terrace Cheltenham	[25]	[25]	*See* J. Stokes, sold to him.	
1021	261	-	Laing, Robert - -	Independent Gas Works Haggerstone.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1043	93	-	Lather, Christopher -	3, Union-court Broad-street -	95	95	(Holds 100 in G. and D.)	
1063	94	-	Lane, Odiarne Coates, esq.	Clifton - - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50, sent C^{s} to Hitchins & Co.	
–	95	-	Lloyd, Samuel, Rev. -	Nailsworth - - - -	80	80	Exchanged 160 for 80.	
–	96	-	Lloyd, Nathaniel, esq.	ditto - - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 16 for 8.	
1069	- -	-	Lloyd, John - -	20, Whitmore-road Hoxton -	30	30		
1084	97	-	Lyon, W. J. L. -	Hayle Consul-office Freeman's-court.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1127	262	-	Lewis, G. W. - -	130, Jermyn-street Haymarket	12	12	Paid 9*l.*, exchanged 15 for 12.	
1192	98	-	Lloyd, Richard -	60, Lombard-street - -	50	50		
1209	99	-	Lediard, Thomas -	Cirencester, at Thomas and Edwards, 5, Old Broad-street.	25	25	Exchanged for 50.	
1212	100	-	Lucas, Henry - -	Liverpool, at H. Tribe, 9, Austin-friars.	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1257	263	-	Langhorne, W. -	30, Tokenhouse-yard - -	7	7	(Holds 7.)	
1263	264	-	Long, William - -	2, Worcester-street Manchester	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1278	265	-	Lerigo, Walter -	Bury, Lancashire - - -	20	20	Paid 15 *l.*, exchanged.	
1291	165	-	Letts, Thomas -	95, Royal Exchange - -	25	25	(Holds 50.)	
	662	-	Lowe, James - -	Bristol - - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	696	-	Lightfoot, Thomas -	Liverpool - - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	756	-	Lee, William - -	Bristol - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	763	-	Lawden, Alfred -	Birmingham - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C.S.	
	768	-	Lort, William - -	ditto - - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C.S.	
	784	-	*See* John Wilson, No.	784 - - - - -	[5]	[5]	[Exchanged 10 for] 5.	
	803	-	Ladd, Edw. Nicholas	4, John-street Jubilee-place Commercial-road.	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
	825	-	Letchworth, H. Finch	Reading - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	851	-	Legg, William George	4, Dorchester-place - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	852		Little Benjamin - now James West -	Manchester - - - - Clayton-place, Kennington -	18	18	Exchanged 35 for 18.	
5	- -	-	Morrison, G. H. -	56, Basinghall-street - -	100	- -	Cancelled.	
8	- -	-	Manning, Thomas -	Stock Exchange - - -	50			
37	503	-	Mackenzie, Thomas -	T. Godwin, Stock Exchange -	25	15	(George Walter.)	
38	504	-	Murphy, John James	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	100	50	(Ditto.)	
39	505	-	Murphy, Edmund -	Baltic Coffee-house - -	100	50	(Ditto.)	
53	- -	-	*See* J. Bragg Mills, Lieut.-Col.	Junior United Service Club (by J. Bragg.)	30	- -	*See* J. Bragg, 53.	
84	- -	-	MacCann, —— -	Stock Exchange - - -	30			
97	266	-	Moger, George, jun. -	Banker, Bath - - -	30	30	(A proprietor, 5 shares.)	
–	500	-	Moger, H. - -	Bathwick-hill, Bath - -	20	20		
110	506	-	Maskew, Thomas -	Newland Sherborn Dorset -	20	15		
115	- -	-	Manning, E. - -	9, Harleyford-st. Kennington -	20			
136	- -	-	Mills, William - -	5, Sandford's-lane, Stoke Newington.	30			
139	- -	-	Mansfield, John -	Mr. Laners, Old-street-road -	20			
145	- -	-	Medwin, Thos. Chas.	6, St. Benet's-place Gracechurch-street.	10			
158	- -	-	Mansell, W. S. -	3, Honduras-place Downham-road.	30			

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165	-	-	Marsh, S. C.	25, Crosby-hall chambers	25			
169	-	-	M'Nally, Richard	3, Walbrook	40			
183	507	-	Messer, Robert	Rio Doce Office, 6, Freeman's-court.	25	20		
187	508	-	Maule, Edward	13, Clement's-lane	50	30		
191	509	-	Mitchell & Collins	48, Lime-street	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*	
218	-	-	Manley, Charles	1, Upper East Smithfield	30			
227	-	-	Millin, E. H	two doors from Swan, Clapham-road.	30			
265	510	-	Moger, R., surgeon	Bath	20	20		
270	511	-	Meyer, Samuel	18, Lever-street Manchester	50	30		
272	512	-	Molineaux, Thomas	Manchester	50	30		
294	-	-	Miles, E.	100, Wood-street, Cheapside	20			
298	-	-	Macquarie, L.	378, Oxford-street	5			
356	-	-	Mills, H.	32, Bridport-place New North-road.	50			
419	-	-	Melville, Alexander	Cambridge-terrace Islington	15			
421	-	-	Mellish, Thomas	Garraway's	25			
430	513	-	M'Clean, H.	7, South Parade Bath	10	10		
438	514	-	M'Keand	60, Church-street Manchester	50	30		
439	515	-	Macfarlane, John	66, George-street Manchester	20	15		
503	516	-	Morrison, W.	23, Fenchurch-street	30	30	(Recommd, Mr. Borradaile.)	
510	-	-	M'Arthur	4, Beer-lane Tower-street	30	-	(Says he holds shares.)	
535	-	-	Marsden, William	19, Maryland-place Great Bland-street.	20			
541	-	-	M'Donald, K.	27, Robinson's-row Kingsland	10			
			Munro, Allen	ditto	5			
553	518	-	Macturk, Wm., M. D.	Bradford Yorkshire	30	25		
564	519	-	Marwood, Matthew	12, Kent-square Liverpool	10	10		
565	517	-	Macintyre, L. H.	Liverpool	20	20	(A proprietor in the Greenwich.)	
568	520	-	Murray, Robert	67, Paradise-street Liverpool	20	15		
569	521	-	Mayne, Edward	Wavertree Liverpool	50	50	(A brother of the Chief Commissioner of Police, London.)	
586	-	-	Matthew, Charles J.	10, Angel-ct. Throgmorton-st.	15			
589	267	-	Melhado, D.	71, Guildford-street Russell-sq.	10	10	(Holds 10 in Dover.)	
609	-	-	Mackenzie, James	12, Great Winchester-street	30			
632	-	-	Macnamara, Richard	6, Benet's-place Gracechurch-st.	15			
647	522	-	Medley, G. W.	80, Old Broad-street	[50]	[30]	Cancelled.	
649	101	-	Miller, C.	14, Lower Chapman-street Cannon street road.	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
671	-	-	Murdock, Henry	15, Panton-square Haymarket	50			
673	-	-	Mackeson, John	6, Elizabeth-terrace Liverpool-road Islington.	25			
745	523	-	Motteram, G. H.	13, Great Charles street Birmingham.	80	50		
746	524	-	M'Morrice, George	1, Drury-lane Liverpool	50	30		
760	-	-	Macdonald, William	4, Oxendon-street Haymarket	15			
785	-	-	Maclauren, Gordon	58, Chapel-street Pentonville	20			
798	-	-	Moore, F.	6, William-terrace South Lambeth New-road.	30			
806	268	-	Muller, D. G.	49, Trinity-square Southwark	30	30	(Holds 10.)	
815	525	-	Mills, Richard	66, High-street Hampstead	50	30		
827	-	-	Mortimer, S.	78, London-wall	20	-	(Same as 838.)	
835	-	-	Mann, Alexander	Peckham-grove Camberwell	20	-	(Refers to Mr. Walter.)	
848	526	-	Musgrove, J. C.	Wincanton	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
855	-	-	Miller, G. J.	46, Berwick-street Soho	50			
856	-	-	M'Knight	58, Russell-street Blackfriars	15			
888	269	-	Mills, Alfred, and his brother Frederick.	Holbeach, 10 shares each	20	20	Paid 20 *l.*, Alfred exchanged, Frederick also.	
891	270	-	Morgon, John	2, Friday-street Cheapside	5	5	Exchanged for 5, paid 5 *l.*	
912	527	-	Malton, Charles	18, Cambray's-terrace Edgeware-road.	30	20		
929	102	-	Mucklow, Thomas	49, Lionel-street Birmingham	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
930	-	-	Mereweather, John	16, Princes-street Westminster	10			
943	103	-	Miller, M. H., Rev.	Scarborough	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
956	104	-	Masterson, H. W.	14, Highbury-park	140	140	Exchanged 280 for 140.	
983	105	-	Macminn, Francis	13, Cornhill	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
998	106	-	May, William	Gravesend, Clapton	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1012	271	-	Marsh, J.	Queen's-row Walworth	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
1014	107	-	Morrison, William	28, Clement's-lane	5	5		
1017	-	-	Morris, Thomas	44, Pulteney-street Islington	10			
1019	108	-	Morrison, G. W.	56, Basinghall-street	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
1028	272	-	Madgwick, Edward	27, St. John's lane Clerkenwell	20	20	Exchanged for 40.	
1049	-	-	Marten, Charles	*see* T. T. Blackburn.				

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1053	109	-	Martin, Thomas -	Liverpool - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1060	- -	-	Murrell, George -	13, Foley terrace Lloyd-square Pentonville.	30			
1072	693	-	Marshall, Robert -	Liverpool - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1076	- -	-	Murray, Henry -	30, Clerk-st. Commercial-rd. East	25			
1081	- -	-	Marshall, John, jun. -	97, Royal Exchange - -	20			
1082	273	-	M'All - - -	Loughton Essex - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1085	110	-	Manley, William -	15, Bishopsgate-within - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1087	528	-	Mulholland & Co. -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	100	100		
1088	- -	-	Malcough, J. C. -	25, Tokenhouse-yard - -	25			
1094	- -	-	Monsell, J W. -	25, Farringdon-street - -	15			
1113	274	-	Machin, W. - -	148, Oxford-street - -	20	20		
1116	529	-	Mortimer, Herbert -	Lloyd's - - - -	15	10		
1141	111	-	Manson, David -	Edinburgh, at E. Heseltine, 24, Finch-lane.	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1145	112	-	Mackintosh, Angus Friend.	1, College-place Camden-town	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1153	- -	-	Mayne, William -	20, Brunswick-parade Pentonville	30			
1177	- -	-	Melhuish, John -	2, Charlotte-row Mansion-house	5			
1187	113	-	M'Dougall, A. H. -	46, Parliament-street - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1204	114	-	Mitchell, R. D., M. D.	59, Upper Stamford-street -	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
1207	692	-	M'Neill, Robert -	Liverpool, R. Dawson - -	10	- -	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1217	115	-	Marshall, William -	46, New Hall-st. Birmingham	30	30	Exchanged 60 for 30.	
1227	116	-	Moon, H., Mrs. -	10, Union-street Deptford -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3. Pd.W.C	
1244	- -	-	Myles, C. J. - -	5, Mitre-street Aldgate - -	20			
	684	-	Mackenzie, Henry -	3, Claremont-row Islington -	3	3	Exchanged for 5.	
	750	-	Moxon, William -	Birmingham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	795	-	Milverton, John -	17, Wellesley-street Seymour-street Euston-square.	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	837	-	Maltby, Brough Geo.	Clapham-road - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	846	-	Minshull, Geo. Rowland	Grove-lane Camberwell - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
	847	-	Mills, William - -	17, Austin-friars - - -	40	40	Exchanged 80 for 40.	
	—	-	Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
15	275	-	Nash, Thomas - -	25, Thavies Inn - - -	20	20	(A proprietor, 10 shares.)	
18	- -	-	Nelson, Thomas -	39, Botolph-lane - - -	30			
58	- -	-	Noy, E. H. - -	35, Seething-lane - - -	50	- -	(Spooner, Attwood & Co.)	
73	276	-	Nathan, John - -	193, Ratcliffe-highway - -	30	30	(Has 20 shares.)	
199	- -	-	Nathan, S. W. -	9, Bury-court St. Mary-axe -	20			
457	530	-	Nicholson, Nicholson William.	Roundhay, near Leeds - - -	50	30		
470	- -	-	Nutting, Wm. J. -	9, Mansion-house-street - -	25			
489	- -	-	Noble, Henry - -	22, Harleyford-pl. Kennington	30			
493	- -	-	Nicholls, W. - -	13, Lawrence Poulteney-lane - (275.)	20			
552	531	-	Nutt, Justinian, Major	Lansdown-crescent Cheltenham	100	100	Paid 200 *l.*, certs. given.	
713	- -	-	Newberry, H. - -	8, Foster lane - - -	20			
714	- -	-	Newcomb, Francis -	Doncaster place Old Kent-road	20			
819	- -	-	Nesbitt, James -	7, William-street Wilmington-sq.	10			
840	- -	-	Nicholls, Charles -	66, Walnut-tree-walk Lambeth	25			
907	- -	-	Nicholls, Henry -	Rose cottage Hanvers-lane Stamford hill. (436.)	15			
976	277	-	Neeton, Geo., Rev. -	Church-hill Woolwich, Tabernacle-house Norwich.	40	40	25 June, held 35, paid 45 *l* exchanged 40.	
1020	278	-	Nicol, John - -	18, Fenchurch-street - -	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
1079	117	-	Nimino, Thomas H. -	at Mr. Gregory's, 4, Upper Charles-st. Parliament-street, 9, Victoria-place Walworth.	90	90	Exchanged for 180.	
	672	-	Nicholson, John -	9, New Gloster-place Hoxton -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	681	-	Newton, Richard -	12, Great Carter-lane - -	3	3	Exchanged for 5.	
	691	-	Nicholl, Anthony -	Liverpool - - - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	
	757	-	Nichol, William -	- ditto - - - -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
	797	-	Neave, Rd. Digby -	Dover-street - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
248	- -	-	O'Brien, William -	1, St. John's-place St. Martin's-le-Grand.	30			
281	- -	-	Owen, Joseph - -	Sheffield - - - -	20			
408	532	-	Owen, William -	4, Matson's cottages Kingsland-road. (70.)	20	10		
690	534	-	Oswald, Edward -	Catford-hill Lewisham - -	50	50		
748	533	-	Ormerod, Peter -	Douglas, to the care of Mr. John Dodgson, 21, Hanover-street, Liverpool.	15	15		
857	-	-	Oliveira, G. - -	30, Leicester-square - - (195.)	60			

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938	535	-	O'Conner, James Wm.	Manchester, Hants Bank -	10	10		
986	- -	-	Oakley, George -	Bell's-buildings Salisbury-square	100			
1004	118	-	Ogden, John Robert	51, Paddington-street - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1025	- -	-	Oxenford, Henry -	26, Throgmorton-street - -	30	15		
1068	- -	-	Oyston, John, jun. -	19, Earl-street Finsbury - -	10			
1224	119	-	Ormond, Francis -	Kingsbridge, Foster & Braithwaite.	6	6	Exchanged 12 for 6.	
14	538	-	Price, W. A. - -	17, Maiden-lane - - -	[200]	[50]	Cancelled.	
23	- -	-	Phillips, B. - -	10, Gould-square - - -	20			
51	537	-	Pearce, P. - -	6, Frederick-place Old Jewry -	20	20		
60	- -	-	Pidwell, Charles -	Lodge Walbrook-buildings -	20			
75	- -	-	Piercy, Edward -	39, Warwick-street Golden-sq.	20			
90	- -	-	Pullen, John - -	5, Serjeant's Inn - - -	25			
144	- -	-	Picard, L. - -	9, Marlboro'-street Blackfriars -	20			
150	539	-	Pellatt, John - -	5, Freeman's-court Cornhill -	20	20		
171	1	-	Pommier, L. - -	High-street Peckham - -	20	20		
201	- -	-	Peill, J. - - -	35, Nicholas-lane - - -	20			
215	- -	-	Plimptom, Thomas -	2, Arthur-street London-bridge	20			
234	540	-	Pearce, Stewart P. -	10, St. Swithin's-lane - -	30	25		
249	- -	-	Price, James - -	19, Old Bailey - -	30			
253	- -	-	Pearce, Geo. William	Waterloo bridge-road - -	40			
263	- -	-	Pennell, William -	Vine-street Minories - -	50			
271	541	-	Parry, J. D. - -	11, Half-moon-street Manchester	50	30		
349	- -	-	Phillips, C. L. - -	17, John-street Crutched-friars	30	- -	(Is a holder of shares.)	
351	- -	-	Pereira, Mendez E. -	19, Clifton-street Finsbury -	20	- -	(A holder both in G. & D.)	
368	- -	-	Pitt, Alexander -	Covent-garden market - -	10			
370	- -	-	Parry, Leonard -	90, Cornhill - - - -	10			
375	- -	-	Pike, John - -	7, King's-square Goswell-road	15			
376	- -	-	Price, R. - -	183, Fleet-street - - -	10			
411	- -	-	Pitt, Joseph - -	15, Harpur-st. Red Lion-square	10			
428	709	-	Palin, John - -	Chester - - - - -	50	50	Paid 100 *l.*, Cs delivered.	
436	279	-	Partridge, W. H. -	Birmingham - - - -	25	25	(Holds 10 shares.)	
467	280	-	Pankhurst, T. H. -	45, Drury-lane - - -	20	20	(Holds 20; gone out of town for a month, 10th May.)	
471	- -	-	Pearce, D.W., surgeon	Commercial-road - - -	20			
484	- -	-	Pride, Benjamin -	late of Dover, Honduras-wharf Bankside.	10			
487	- -	-	Pilcher, Richard -	Esher Surrey - - -	20			
516	542	-	Packe, Chas.Wm., M.P.	Carlton-hotel Regent-st. London	50	50		
524	- -	-	Parker, Richard -	Hambro'-wharf - - -	50			
544	- -	-	Pritchard, William -	77, Lower Thames-street -	20			
546	281	-	Piercey, Wm. Algernon	7, Capel-court - - -	10	10	Exchanged for 20 Dover.	
561	282	-	Parr, William - -	20, Whitechapel Liverpool -	25	25		
615	- -	-	Prince, Christopher -	3, Union-court Broad-street -	30			
652	- -	-	Playford, C. B. -	47, Norton-place Portland-place	35			
659	- -	-	Pennington, J. -	6, Clement's Inn - - -	20			
669	- -	-	Price, H. - -	1, Warnford-court - - -	25			
675	- -	-	Preston, Samuel -	Lancaster - - - - -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
687	- -	-	Pidgeon, Jon. Sills -	Reading - - - -	10			
689	- -	-	Parker, Thomas Henry	Stock Exchange - - -	100			
695	- -	-	Penn, Otto, jun. -	47, Old Gloster-street Hoxton	30			
708	- -	-	Priestly, John - -	10, London-road Southwark -	20			
709	- -	-	Paterson, Henry -	39, Old Broad street - -	50			
717	543	-	Pickering, Geo., esq.	Chester (Wells & Son, 40, Lothbury.)	50	50		
751	544	-	Parlour, William -	Exchange-street Liverpool -	50	30		
758	545	-	Pooley, William -	1, Church-court Clement's-lane	20	15		
759	546	-	Pooley, J. T. - -	- - ditto - - - - -	20	15		
764	- -	-	Phillip, R. - -	10, Baker-street Bedford-square	20			
766	- -	-	Philip, Alexander -	23, Birchin-lane - - -	9			
794	- -	-	Proudfoot, Edward -	12, South Moulton-street -	30			
814	547	-	Perkins, Robert -	31, Cornhill - - - -	20	15		
817	- -	-	Phillip, A. - -	33, St. James's-place Aldgate -	50			
826	- -	-	Payne, A. - -	Gerrard's-hall Basing-lane -	20			
830	- -	-	Pearce, Geo. William	32, St. Paul's Church-yard -	40			
836	- -	-	Peill, C. - - -	81, Lisson-grove New-road -	10			
859	283	-	Parnell, John - -	7, Bennett-street St. James's -	10	10	Exchanged for 10, paid 10 *l.*	
861	548	-	Pharazyn, H. - -	11, Lloyd's Gallery - -	30	15		
884	549	-	Pincent, Thomas, esq.	Devonport - - - -	50	50		
915	284	-	Phillips, Henry -	35, Hart st. Bloomsbury-square	100	100	(Holds 50.)	
918	- -	-	Palmer, J. C. - -	79, Upper Seymour-st. Euston-square.	20			
936	550		Powis, John - -	Crooked-lane Chambers -	20	10		

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946	285	-	Pedley, Thomas -	110, Cheapside - - - -	10	10	Paid 10 *l.*	
953	- -	-	Plowman, James -	39, Cleveland-street Fitzroy-sq.	20			
962	- -	-	Plumbley, R. - -	9, Layton-buildings Borough -	25			
966	- -	-	Penrice, Wm. & Co. -	Joiner's-hall buildings Upper Thames-street.	30			
973	286	-	Powell, Alexander -	Hardwick-house Salisbury, at Mr. Ellice Reeve, Pope's head-alley.	25	25	Paid 25 *l.*, exchanged.	
1087	120	-	Phillpotts, A. H. -	144, Leadenhall-street - -	18	18	(Holds 35.)	
1103	- -	-	Pinter, A. - -	48, Haymarket - - - -	40			
1117	121	-	Parker, Samuel -	at Mr. E. H. Browne, 12, Angel-court.	20	20	(Holds 10, G. & D.)	
1163	287	-	Peckett, George -	Stock Exchange - - -	10	10	(Holds 15.)	
1185	683	-	Phillpotts, Thos., esq.	144, Leadenhall-street - -	93	93	Exchanged 185 for 93.	
1188	288	-	Peach, J. H. - -	Norfolk-cottage Shacklewell - (2330)	5	5	(Holds 5.)	
1208	683	-	Phillpotts, Thos., esq.	144, Leadenhall-street - -	75	75	Exchanged 150 for 75.	
1211	- -	-	Parker, A. - -	1, Fann-street Aldersgate-street	10			
1218	122	-	Porritt, J. -	High-street Deptford - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
1234	123	-	Pretty, J. R. - -	Tettenhall Wolverhampton -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1237	730	-	Peppitt, William -	101, Dale-street Liverpool -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1238	551	-	Palmer, Edward -	Dudley Worcestershire - -	10	10		
1265	552	-	Philipe, Geo. P. -	Gray's Inn - - - -	50	50	Paid 27th, 100 *l.*, exchanged banker's receipt.	
1276	- -	-	Parsons, Robt. -	Ordnance-office Pall-mall -	10	- -	(Holds 10; have the scrip.)	
1279	124	-	Palmer, P. H. Rev. -	Granby vicarage Bingham	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1288	163	-	Pidgeon, J. F. - -	Reading - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1293	639	-	Palmer, George -	2, North Piazza Royal Exchange	10	10	(Holds 20.)	
	648	-	Parsons, Wm. Augs.	Southam Warwickshire - -	185	185	Holds 370, exchanged.	
1300	651	-	Pretty, Rebecca -	Tettenhall Wolverhampton -	20	20	Holds 20, exchanged 20 for 20, paid 20 *l.*	
	667	-	Presbury, Chas. -	Messrs. Coutts & Co. - -	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
	702	-	Pickering, John -	Manchester - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	703	-	Parry, Thomas -	- ditto - - - -	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
	743	-	Pemberton, Edwin -	Birmingham - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	758	-	Penrhyn, Edward -	East Sheen Surrey - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	774	-	Pitfield, William -	2, Shadwell St. George's East -	30	30	Exchanged 60 for 30.	
	798	-	Perkins, Charles -	Mark-lane - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	821	-	Parry, Elias - -	6, River-street Myddleton-sq. -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
	854	-	Pankerd, Vernon -	16, Park-place Kingsland -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	856	-	Pharazyn, Chas. Johnson.	Lloyd's - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
141	- -	-	Quilter, Saml Francis	1, Allerton-st. East-rd. City rd.	20			
348	289	-	Quarrell, Rev. Richd.	Cheltenham, Coles & Mullens, 45, Lothbury.	50	50	Paid 25 *l.*, exchanged.	
	290	-	Quarrell, Catherine -	- ditto - - - -	50	50	Paid 15 *l.*, exchanged.	
21	- -	-	Redgrave, William -	2, Parliament-street - -	40			
27	- -	-	Rogers, J. - -	Bank Coffee-house - -	30			
57	553	-	Rake, Thomas - -	Salisbury - - - -	100	50		
88	554	-	Roberts, Thomas -	40, Poultry - - - -	10	10		
106	555	-	Radenhurst, Charles -	Birmingham - - - -	50	30		
143	- -	-	Robinson, George -	8, Red Lion-square - -	25			
188	556	-	Raines, Jos. Robertson, surgeon.	92, Aldersgate-street - -	25	20	(Refers P. H. Browne, 12, Angel court.)	
198	- -	-	Rickards, Richard -	9, Temple-place Hackney road	20			
204	- -	-	Richardson, Rycroft G.	37, Southampton-row - -	10			
224	- -	-	Rutherford, George -	20, Wormwood-street - -	10			
251	- -	-	Robinson, Joseph -	23, King-street Covent-garden	40			
324	557	-	Rule, B. - - -	38, Maiden-lane - - -	30	15	(Refers to W. R. Hodges, esq., a director of the Greenwich.)	
327	- -	-	Reed, John - -	11, Mark-lane - - -	50	- -	(Refers to F. Madox, esq., Foot's-cray or Austin-friars.)	
359	- -	-	Railton, William -	8, Portland-place Walworth -	30			
372	- -	-	Rothschild, M. -	72, Britannia-terrace City-road	30			
378	558	-	Richards, John -	37, Nicholas-lane - - -	10	10	(Wanted to pay deposit.)	
399	- -	-	Rowley, Chas. George	18, Pudding-lane - - -	20			
440	559	-	Richardson, James -	Half-moon-ct. Manchester -	60	40	(Refers to Jones, Lloyd & Co.)	
446	- -	-	Ritchell, Charles -	Toxteth-lodge Liverpool -	20			
478	659	-	Read, Wm., esq. -	Senior United Service club -	50	50	Exchanged 100 for 50.	
486	1290 -	-	Rogers, J. G. - -	Storey's gate hotel - -	40			
504	291	-	Ruston, John - -	10, Hart-street Mark-lane -	20	20		

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507	- -	-	Ross, Donald - -	14, Turner-st. London Hospital	5	- -	(Mr. Colin Smith.)	
533	- -	-	Radley, John - -	3, Sweeting's-alley - -	15			
550	292	-	Reeves, A. F. - -	Glasgow - - - -	90	90	Paid 90 *l.*, exchanged.	
551	293	-	Russell, J. H. C. -	Sittingbourne - - -	33	33	Paid 33 *l.*	
567	560	-	Ritchie, George, W. S.	11, Castle-street Edinburgh -	50	25		
573	561	-	Roskell, William -	Liverpool, watchmaker - -	50	25		
629	613	-	Richards, Wm., esq. -	Great Baighton Cheshire -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*, C[s] delivered	
727	- -	-	Robertson, Thos., R.N.	6, White-horse-lane Mile-end-rd.	25			
728	- -	-	Robinson, John -	19, Tottenham-road Kingsland	20			
731	294	-	Rose, Richard -	42, Dover-street Piccadilly -	50	50	Exchanged for 100 *l.*	
732	- -	-	Rawlings, Zachariah -	40, Castle-street Leicester-sq.	25			
746	562	-	Robinson, Ellen -	90, Duke-street Liverpool -	10	10		
778	563	-	Robson, Christopher -	8, Clifford's Inn - - -	50	25		
808	- -	-	Roberts, J. - -	11, Golden-square - -	20			
809	295	-	Reynolds, A. - -	221, Strand - - - -	5	5	Exchanged for 5, paid 5*l.*	
818	- -	-	Robinson, James -	3, St. John-street Tottenham-court-road.	25			
860	296	-	Rust, William - -	29, Great North-st. Lisson-grove	40	40	Paid 15 *l.*, 25 remain.	
862	- -	-	Rickards, Thomas -	3, Clarence-place Camberwell	20			
879	- -	-	Romney, Charles -	17, Gough-square Fleet-street	20			
893	- -	-	Robinson, J. - -	19, Finch-lane - - -	30			
909	- -	-	Rutter, P. - -	52, Piccadilly - - -	10			
928	297	-	Rodway, John - -	Birmingham, Edgbaston - - (1458)	35	35	Paid 45 *l.*, exchanged for 35. (388)	
969	125	-	Row, Snow John -	1, Princes-street Soho - -	8	8	Exchanged for 15.	
1016	564	-	Royle, James - -	St. John's-buildings Gartside-street Manchester.	20	15		
1024	298	-	Ryalls, Thomas -	45, Fleet-lane - - -	10	10		
1026	126	-	Richardson, Joseph -	Highgate - - - -	[8]	[8]	Error, should be Hardman.	
1051	299	-	R binson, George -	1, White Conduit st. Pentonville	5	5	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged for 5.	
1058	- -	-	Roberts, jun., John -	3, Brunswick-pl. Balls pond-rd.	20			
1078	127	-	Radcliffe, sen., Geo. Rev.	Castle-street Salisbury - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1096	565	-	Robertson, Robt. sen.	Royal Exchange Assurance-office	15	10		
1115	300	-	Reeve, John - -	10, John-street Adelphi - -	10	10	Exchanged for 10, paid 10 *l.*	
1119	301	-	Ryan, D. F. - -	Excise Office - - -	10	10	(Holds 10.)	
1124	302	-	Rose, Liverpool -	at C. Martin's, 9, Finch-lane -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
1130	- -	-	Robertson, Henry -	13, Yardley-st. Wilmington-sq.	32			
1142	128	-	Robinson, W. A. -	43, St. Paul's-churchyard - -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
1175	- -	-	Roberts, John - -	26, Milk-street Cheapside - (1674)	20		(533)	
1203	- -	-	Robins, J. - -	3, New-street Dorset-square -	5			
1223	- -	-	Ryley, B. J. - -	Liverpool, R. Dawson - -	[10]	- -	Sold to Richard Crew. *See* his name.	
1225	129	-	Ruding, J. C. - -	Salvador-house - - -	23	23	(Holds 45.)	
1275	303	-	Ratton, Lewis - -	11, Union-court Old Broad-st.	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
1281	157	-	Richardson, John, jun	Liverpool, care Ewart & Bell, 2, Shorter's-court.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1283	159	-	Rutter, J. C. - - for Thos. Simcox -	4, Ely-pl. Holborn - - Birmingham - - -	[35]	[35]	*See* Thomas Simcocks.	
1284	160	-	Richards, John -	Warminster Wilts, care Edwd. Richards, 11, Haymarket.	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1285	161	-	Richards, Edward -	11, Haymarket - - -	28	28	Exchanged 55 for 28, W. G., paid 1 *l.*	
1292	318	-	Rickards, William, the property of Mr. Sedgwick.	Stock Exchange - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1293	641	-	Roy, Thomas - -	Liverpool, F. & W. Atkinson	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1301	652	-	Rule, Thomas - -	65, Lombard-street - -	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
	656	-	Rake, Thomas -	10, Duke-street Southwark -	150	150	Exchanged 300 for 150.	
	781	-	Rowe, John - -	16, Change-alley - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	832	-	Rattenbury, Thomas	Dover - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	833	-	Rawlins, Saml. jun. esq.	Birmingham - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
10	- -	-	Scott, D. jun. - -	20, Lombard-street - -	10			
31	304	-	Simpson, John -	2, Princes-square Wilson-street	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
36	567	-	Shaw, Isaac - -	81, Gracechurch-street - -	50	30		
41	642	-	Stephenson, William	26, Cornhill - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
46	568	-	Stansfield, —— -	Catherine-house Blackheath -	15	15		
49	- -	-	Stephens, Robt. Walls.	17, York-place City-road -	20			
56	569	-	Smethurst, Thomas, surgeon.	Clapham-rise Surrey - -	50	25		
65	570	-	Salomonson, F. - -	52, Threadneedle-street - -	50	25		
67	571	-	Syrett, Frederick -	17, Old Broad-street - -	50	50		
81	572	-	Symonds, Charles -	80, Dean-street Soho - -	5	5		

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99	578	-	Smith, William -	37, Old Market Bristol - -	50			
104	305	-	Shillitoe, Wm. Man -	69, High-street Birmingham -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
116	- -	-	Solomon, S. - -	8, Primrose-street Bishopsgate	30			
126	306	-	Smith, William -	1, New-court Bow-lane - -	100	100	Exchanged, *see* Robert S.	
153	573	-	Shrewsbury, Jas. West, solicitor.	Deal - - - - - -	50	50		
162	- -	-	Simmonds, R. - -	74, Bishopsgate Without -	20			
163	574	-	Smith, T. J. - -	2, Copthall-court - - -	100	50		
167	- -	-	Somers, Lawrence -	90, Leadenhall-street - -	20			
175	- -	-	Smethurst, William -	Knight's-place Wandsworth-rd.	30			
196	- -	-	Score, F. - -	8, Capel-court Bartholomew-lane.	50			
239	- -	-	Smith, Edward -	Rotunda Bank - - - -	20			
262	- -	-	Smethurst, James -	Brixton-road - - -	40			
277	307	-	Smith, Joseph - -	Cirencester - - - -	15	15	Paid 25 *l.*, exchanged.	
278	575	-	Sawer, John - -	Exeter - - - - - -	50	25	Paid 50 *l.*	
280	1287	-	Simpson, C. - -	Deal - - - - - -	[20]	- -	Cancelled.	
297	576	-	Surridge, W. - -	21, Smithfield - - -	25	20		
304	- -	-	Saunders, George -	43, Penton-place Pentonville -	20			
323	- -	-	Schaffel, George -	at Thomas Wilson & Co. Warnford court.	25			
347	- -	-	Sorrell, John - -	8, London-street - - -	20			
369	- -	-	Salom, A. H. - -	6, No. Piazza Royal Exchange	25			
374	- -	-	Smyth, Samuel H. -	16, Ironmonger-lane - -	50			
377	- -	-	Smith, Francis -	31, Charles-street Commercial-road.	20			
410	- -	-	Swift, H. - -	7, Grove-end-road St. John's Wood.	20			
412	- -	-	Staniforth, William -	2, Princes-square Ratcliffe-highway.	20			
434	577	-	Staite, Opie - -	Bristol - - - - - -	50	25		
453	579	-	Stewart, Harriet -	5, Canning-street Liverpool -	50	25		
454	580	-	Sproston, John George	38, Rodney-street Liverpool, gentleman.	20	20		
455	581	-	Stewart, Duncan J. -	Liverpool, merchant - -	200	100		
460	582	-	Smith, David - -	St. James's-row, Sheffield -	10	10		
461	583	-	Shute, James, esq. -	Stonehouse Devon - -	10	10		
474	308	-	Stocken, P. Frederick	11, Stafford-place Pimlico -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
481	- -	-	Smith, Charles F. -	64, Queen-street Cheapside -	20			
491	584	-	Stanley, Catherine -	Cumberland street Portman-square. To be sent to Child & Co. Temple-Bar - -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*	
	585	-	Stanley, Elizabeth -		5	5	Paid 10 *l.*	
496	- -	-	Sheldon, James -	12, Goldsmith's-place Hackney-road.	10			
501	- -	-	Smith, William -	24, Crutched-friars' chambers	15			
506	586	-	Stinton, John - -	18, Throgmorton-street - -	20	10		
523	- -	-	Sheldon, James -	53, Hoxton-square - -	20			
525	- -	-	Slater, Alexander -	3, Bengal-place New Kent-road	5			
547	587	-	Skinner, William -	27, Houndsditch - - - (1800)	30	15		
556	588	-	Smith, Joseph - -	Devonport - - - -	20	20		
590	589	-	Smart, Thomas Wake	47, Aldermanbury - -	20	20		
592	- -	-	Smith, James - -	37, Leadenhall-street - -	50			
611	590	-	Shackell, W. - -	Agents, Cox & Greenwood, to be addressed.	25	20		
612	- -	-	Simpson, William -	4, Brett's-buildings, Hoxton -	20			
617	- -	-	Simpson, Edward -	44, Poland-street - - -	25			
628	- -	-	Spear, John - -	Prospect-place Kingsland -	60			
629	718	-	Sprent, William -	Chester - - - - -	100	100	Paid 200 *l.*, C° delivered.	
650	591	-	Scott, Joseph - -	24, Basinghall-street - -	50	30		
677	592	-	Satterthwaite, James Cornelius.	Lancaster - - - - -	30	[30]	Sold.	
678	593	-	Shadlaw, George -	Bath - - - - - -	10	10		
691	- -	-	Stephens, John -	32, Southampton-street Strand	40			
696	- -	-	Symmons, R. - -	2, Sherbourn-lane - - -	20			
716	594	-	Smith, [Geo.] William, banker.	Salisbury (Wells & Son, 40, Lothbury.)	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
736	- -	-	Stickley, J. - -	27, Duke-street Grosvenor-square.	30			
743	- -	-	Seacome, John -	Chester - - - -	20	- -	Cancelled.	
752	595	-	Shand, William, esq.	Fettes-row Edinburgh - -	50	30		
756	- -	-	Steel, James - -	3, Albion street Rotherhithe -	10			
776	- -	-	Sylvester, F. - -	24, Brewer street Golden-square	50			
779	- -	-	Simons, L. - -	High-street Chatham - -	30			

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787	1259. 130	-	Shipton, Frances -	38, Ely place Holborn - -	60	60	Exchanged 120 for 60.	
788	- -	-	Smith, Thomas -	White cottage, Kinder street Peckham.	20			
796	596	-	Saunders, Estridge -	36, Colmore-row Birmingham -	20	20		
816	- -	-	Shaw, John W. -	15, Clarence-street Regent's-park.	25			
820	- -	-	Smart, John - -	13, Upper Southampton-street Pentonville.	50			
825	- -	-	Snuggs, Charles -	33, St. George's-road New Kent-road.	20			
831	- -	-	Simmons, Matthew -	24, Jubilee-street Commercial-road.	20			
803	717	-	Seacome, John -	Chester - - - - -	25	25	Paid 50 *l.* C^t^ delivered.	
854	- -	-	Stahl, Henry - -	Foreign Office, Downing-street	100			
875	- -	-	Steel, James - -	3, Albion-street Rotherhithe -	10			
884	[497]	-	Sparke, Isaac - -	Devonport - - - -	[10]	1	Cancelled.	
886	598	-	Stubbs, Joseph -	Birmingham - - - -	30	20		
913	- -	-	Swainson, M. - -	4, Mitre-square Aldgate -	25			
921	131	-	Small, John - -	25, Thavies Inn - - - -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
935	- -	-	Solomon, Saul - -	129, Chancery-lane - - (2906)	16		(230)	
940	309	-	Simpson, James -	Foxhill Bank Lancashire -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
942	310	-	Smith, Richard -	106, Bull-street Birmingham -	30	30	Paid 20 *l.*, exchanged for 30.	
949	311	-	Stammers, John -	34, East-street Lamb's Conduit-street.	[10]	[10]	Cancelled.	
964	599	-	Serjeant, Geo., newsvender.	5, Butcher-hall-lane - -	30	10		
986	600	-	Smart, R. W. - -	47, Aldermanbury - -	20	20		
977	601	-	Stainton, James -	7, Manor-place Gravesend -	[20]	[20]	Cancelled.	
987	- -	-	Smith, Edmund -	28, Southampton-row Russell-square.	50			
1006	312	-	Stokes, William -	70, Fenchurch-street - -	5	5	Exchanged; *see* 813.	
1030	313	-	Shorthouse, Joseph -	Birmingham - - - -	15	15	Exchanged for 15, paid 15 *l.*	
1032	602	-	Smith, Michael Parker	Cole-hill-lodge Fulham -	10	10		
1035	132	-	Southall, R. - -	Birmingham, Mount-st. steam-mills.	53	53	Exchanged; sent certificates to Beilby, 1st December.	
1042	133	-	Sanguin, John -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
1064	314	-	Simpson, J. P. - -	12, King's-arms-yard - -	200	200	(Holds 200.)	
1065	134	-	Stevenson, W. T. -	13, Angel-court Throgmorton	35	35	Exchanged for 70.	
1067	135	-	Scott, William -	Capel-court - - - -	[25]	[25]	*See* John Adams, Liverpool.	
1092	- -	-	Sharman, Thomas -	4, Seymour-place Barnsbury -	15			
1138	136	-	Stronge, John - -	2, Circus-road St. John's Wood	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
1155	- -	-	Stocker, Hammond -	12, Grove Holloway - -	20			
1190	137	-	Shewell, —— - -	Reading - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1191	315	-	Sutton, Robert, jun. -	Royal Exchange - - -	200	100	Exchanged 200 for 100.	
	316	-	Snow, B. G., esq. -	Highgate (R. Sutton, jun.) - (3956)	120	120	Exchanged 240 for 120.	
1198	138	-	Stafford, John - -	Bath - - - - - -	[23]	[23]	Sold out.	
1199	139	-	Stock, William -	Liverpool - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1213	140	-	Summerfield, Samson	Shiffnal, with Mr. Lloyd -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1269	- -	-	Schlesenger, C. W. -	28, Prescott-street Low-hill -	30			
1254	705	-	Swallow, John -	Market-street Manchester -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1267	141	-	Smith, William -	Salisbury, by Thomas Gibbes, 8, Capel court.	[20]	[20]	Cancelled.	
1271	317	-	Stammers, Samuel -	Lloyd's Coffee-house - -	15	15	Paid 5 *l.*	
1273	142	-	Smith, James - -	27, Austin-friars, English Mining Association.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1295	644	-	Stavert, Thomas -	Liverpool - - - -	20	20	Paid 20 *l.*, exchanged.	
1298	647	-	Skilbeck, Joseph -	202, Upper Thames-street -	5	5	(Holds 10.)	
	655	-	Short, Henry - -	Oxford-terrace - - -	210	210	Exchanged for 420.	
1302	656	-	St. Amour, Richard -	Ostend, or 7, Birchin-lane, Mr. Child's.	10	10	Paid 10 *l*, exchanged 10 for 10.	
	660	-	Stock, John Redway	46, Upper Baker-street - -	33	33	Exchanged 65 for 33	
	665	-	Smith, Charles - -	Birmingham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	674	-	Shaw, J. W. - -	15, Clarence-st. Regent's-park	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	676	-	Stone, Samuel -	24, Austin-friars - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	687	-	Smith, W. A. - -	Liverpool - - - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
	699	-	Smith, John - -	Manchester - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8, paid 1 *l.* C. S.	
	724		Scholfield, John -	Liverpool - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	737		Scholfield, William -	ditto - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	739	-	Short, Sarah Jane -	Handsworth Birmingham -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	741	-	Simcocks, Thomas -	Birmingham - - - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	
	746	-	Shipway, Benjamin -	ditto - - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	

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	318	-	Sedgwick, Thos. Long	41, Mark-lane *see* Wm. Rickards,	1292.			
	92	-	Stokes, James, esq. -	Cheltenham - - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	786	-	Smith, Fred. Henry -	Peckham-grove Camberwell -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	796	-	Sheddon, Samuel -	Cheltenham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10.	
	804	-	Sampson, George -	Salisbury - - - -	- -	- -	(4 shares; I have scrip.)	
	813	-	Stokes, William -	Fenchurch-street - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	823	-	Smith, Robert - -	New-court Bow-lane - -	30	30	Exchanged 60 for 30.	
	827	-	Snow, Thomas Froston	Bristol - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	837	-	Short, Miss - -	Birmingham - - - -	10	10		
	304	-	Simpson, John -	2, Princes-square Wilson-street	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
12	- -	-	Taylor, Richard -	2, Warnford-court Throgmorton-street.	40			
17	319	-	Tuke, W. E. - -	15, Austin-friars - - -	15	15	(A proprietor of 15 shares.)	
28	603	-	Terry, Charles -	Lime-street-square - - -	20	20	(William Green.)	
34	604	-	Taylor, R. H. - -	2, Warnford-court - - -	40	30	(George Walter.)	
66	- -	-	Tayler, T. - -	8, Water-lane, Tower - -	35			
85	605	-	Turner, Thomas -	14, South-square, Gray's-inn -	60	30	(Refers to T. Beckwell, esq., Blackheath-road.)	
100	606	-	Thompson, George -	77, Leadenhall-street - -	[20]	[10]	Cancelled.	
118	- -	-	Todd, G. H. - -	Rotunda Bank - - -	20			
119	- -	-	Tulien, Alexander -	44, Lincoln's-inn-fields - -	20			
123	- -	-	Teynham, Lord -	Carnegie-house Kensington -	100			
125	607	-	Temple, William -	2, Surrey-square Old Kent-road.	30	15	(A proprietor.)	
126	- -	-	Tarry, Robert -	2, Wellington-street Goswell-road.	10			
130	- -	-	Truman, Francis -	90, Strand - - - -	30			
134	- -	-	Tran, William - -	Dudmaston-house King's-road Chelsea.	95			
160	608	-	Thick, Charles James	4, Adam's-court Broad-street	[20]	[25]	Cancelled.	
200	- -	-	Tallon, James - -	11, South-street West-square -	20	- -	(Mr. Lane.)	
226	- -	-	Thompson, Mary Ann, widow.	29, Gloucester-place Portman-square.	10			
250	- -	-	Towers, Joseph -	32, Southampton-street Strand	35			
273	609	-	Tweedie, Archibald C.	Liverpool - - - -	20	20	(Merchant.)	
289	- -	-	Till, James W. - -	8, Billiter-square - - -	20			
312	- -	-	Temple, Robert -	18, Beaumont-square - -	30			
329	- -	-	Trevellian, John -	4, Spanish-place Manchester-square.	30			
353	320	-	Taylor, G. - -	17, Cornhill - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
355	321	-	Thorpe, W. - -	11, Little Russell-street Covent-garden.	20	20	(Holds 20 shares; gone into G.)	
373	- -	-	Toulman, Augustus -	Mere-street Hackney - -	20			
488	- -	-	Twinger, A. - -	8, Albion-terrace Wandsworth-road	30			
508	- -	-	Thompson, F. - -	11, Waterloo-place - -	20			
511	610	-	Tooke, A. W., esq. -	39, Bedford-row - - -	[30]	[30]	Cancelled.	
522	- -	-	Tuck, H. E. - -	35, University-street - -	6			
538	- -	-	Treacher, Pritnam -	29, Great Tower-street - -	20	- -	(Says he has several shares.)	
549	- -	-	Thumble, Thomas -	1, Pownall-ter. Kennington-cross (886)	20			
566	611	-	Turner, William -	Christian-street Liverpool -	10	10		
585	- -	-	Tatton, Thomas -	93, Charlton-street St. Pancras	10			
601	- -	-	Thomas, Ligonius -	8, Argyle-street King's cross -	10			
658	- -	-	Trickey, C. H. - -	6, Shepperton-cottages Islington	20			
705	- -	-	Tonkin, M. H. -	20, Flemings-street Kingsland-road.	20			
711	- -	-	Toulman, A. - -	48, Bermondsey-square - -	30			
755	612	-	Taylor, James - -	17, Cornhill - - - -	15	15		
790	- -	-	Thomas, George -	13, Newington-causeway -	30			
845	322	-	Townsend, R. L. -	St. Michael's Liverpool - -	3	3	Exchanged 6 for 3.	
865	- -	-	Thomas John - -	16, White-street Norton-falgate	25			
877	- -	-	Travers, Valentine -	1, Manchester-street Gray's-inn-road.	25			
896	- -	-	Taylor, Daniel - -	6, White-street Moorfields -	10			
910	- -	-	Todd, William -	New York Coffee-house Cornhill (1116)	20		(55)	
939	613	-	Ternan, Michael -	25, Greek-street Liverpool -	10	10		
944	323	-	Twining, William -	High Seacombe Liverpool -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
947	143	-	Taylor, L. B. - -	10, Cloudesley-sq. Islington -	10	10	Exchanged for 20.	
984	- -	-	Turnpenny, Samuel -	12, Kirby-street Hatton-garden	30			
1086	144	-	Taylor, Richard -	6, Waterloo-place Pall-mall -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1101	145	-	Tucker, Henry, Rev.	30, Regent-street - - -	60	60	Exchanged 120 for 60.	

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1111	146	-	Thomson, Wm. Gordon	12, King's-arms-yard - -	40	40	(80)	
1133	- -	-	Thirkell, William -	1, Neal-street Old Kent-road -	20			
1161	324	-	Tatham, Joseph -	Lumley Bedwell, Stock Exchange.	10	10		
1174	614	-	Thick, William Henry	Oakfield-House Moseley, near Birmingham.	[20]	[15]	Cancelled.	
				(1386)				
1223	760	-	Taylor, —— - -	Liverpool, Richard Dawson -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C. S.	
	678	-	Twells, John - -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	150	150	Exchanged 300 for 150.	
	745	-	Tovey, Thomas -	Birmingham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	747	-	Timmins, Ebenezer -	- ditto - - - -	45	45	Exchanged 90 for 45.	
	762	-	Thornhill, John -	Liverpool - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C. S.	
	767	-	Timmins, Joseph -	Birmingham - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3, C. S.	
	818	-	Thompson, William -	Surrey grove Kent-road - -	61	61	Exchanged 121 for 61.	
	823	-	Thomas, George -	Shaftesbury - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	826	-	Triebuer, Thomas -	2, Union-court Old Bond street	3	3	Exchanged 3 for 3.	
242	- -	-	Vincent, James -	5, Bride-lane Bridge-st. Blackfriars.	10			
313	- -	-	Upton & Roberts -	Queen-street Cheapside - -	20			
428	710	-	Uniacke, John, esq. -	Chester - - - -	50	50	Paid 100 *l.*, C^{s} delivered.	
473	- -	-	Upton & Co. - -	64, Queen street Cheapside -	25			
529	- -	-	Valentine, F. - -	at Boughton & Grinsted, Castle-alley.	50			
539	- -	-	Vandame, Henry -	16, Pitfield-street Hoxton -	10			
				(165)				
602	- -	-	Upton, W. B. - -	17, Milk-street Cheapside -	20			
682 (319)	325	-	Unwin, Rowland, esq.	Bexhill Battle - - -	10	10	(Says he remitted for 10 shares; *see* this letter in Gravesend)	
821	- -	-	Underwood, J. -	56, Haymarket - - -	60			
				(245)				
978	1256. 147	-	Valpy, Abraham John	Sussex-place, Regent's-park -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
994	326	-	Valpy, F., Rev. -	Reading - - - -	8	8	Exchanged 15 for 8.	
				(330)				
1221	327	-	Vandergucht, E. -	7, Tavistock-street Bedford-square.	10	10	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
	860	-	Vernon, George -	10, Basinghall-street - -	15	15	Exchanged 30 for 15.	
11	- -	-	Walker, William -	1, Lawrence Poultney-hill -	25			
35	615	-	Wilkinson, William -	53, Old Broad-street - -	100	100	(George Walter, William Green, Col. Skerrett.)	
82	616	-	Wordsworth, Charles	Inner Temple - - -	8	8		
94	617	-	Wilson, Effingham -	88, Royal Exchange - -	100	100	(William Green.)	
108	618	-	Wharton, Charles -	Great Charles st. Birmingham	30	20		
111	328	-	West, G. F. - -	5, Portugal-street Lincoln's-inn-fields.	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
154	619	-	Williams, Robert -	care of Messrs. Firmin De Tastet, Bishopsgate-church.	30	20		
156	- -	-	Ward, Alfred - -	52, Crutched-friars - -	30			
164	620	-	Wilkinson, Richard S.	Stock Exchange, 2, Copthall-court.	50	25		
174	- -	-	Whiffen, William -	6, Quality-court Chancery-lane	25			
186	621	-	Watkins, Harry Tyrrell	Greenwich Railway-office -	50	50	(Mr. George Walter.)	
205	- -	-	Williams, John -	20, Apollo-buildings East-street Walworth.	20			
229	622	-	Wilkinson, Charles -	Long-room Custom-house -	20	15		
257	- -	-	Willey, Henry - -	121, Pall-mall - - -	40			
260	- -	-	Willett, George -	25, Wood-street Cheapside -	30			
290	623	-	Wreford, John - -	Morning Advertiser office -	15	10		
293	- -	-	Webster, C. M. -	S. Jerram's esq., Williams'-cottage, St. Ann's-road Brixton.	20			
295	- -	-	Wells, William -	5, Westbourne-terrace Bayswater.	20			
302	- -	-	Walker, J. - -	1, Wootton-terrace Cornwall-road.	30			
309	- -	-	West, William - -	6, Lambeth-square - -	40			
311	- -	-	Wilson, Samuel -	Spur-inn Borough - - -	25	- -	(Says he is a farrier from Canterbury.)	
314	624	-	Weatherley, Samuel -	5, Bridge street Westminster -	50	25		
320	- -	-	Williams, George -	18, East-street-road Finsbury -	30			
328	- -	-	Williams, Charles -	37, Old Broad-street - -	30			
333	- -	-	Webster, John -	Lothbury, cheesemonger -	20			
339	329	-	Williams & Waring -	38, Mincing-lane - - -	50	50	(Holds 25 shares.)	

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342	330	-	Wait, James - -	14, Wood-street Spitalfields -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
345	- -	-	Woolley, W. W. -	Apollo-buildings Walworth -	20			
363	- -	-	Wilkins, John - -	Walcot-cottages Hackney-road	30			
367	- -	-	Ward, Mat. - -	104, Upper Seymour-st. Euston-square.	40			
387	- -	-	Willett, Henry -	27, Clifton-st. No. Finsbury -	20			
390	625	-	Whyte, James C. -	12, Mincing-lane - - -	[50]	[50]	Cancelled.	
396	- -	-	White, George -	14, Coborn-road Bow - -	25			
422	- -	-	Wickens, William -	Hammersmith - - -	10			
427	- -	-	Williamson, James -	145, Leadenhall-street - -	10			
428	686	-	Williams, William -	Chester - - - - -	20	20	Paid 40 *l.*, certs. delivered.	
432	626	-	Watson, William -	Bristol (wine-merchant) - -	50	50		
456	- -	-	Wilding, Thomas -	Bank of Liverpool - - -	20	(Holds certificates in the G.)		
461	627	-	Walker, William, esq.	Plymouth - - - - -	10	10	(Ordered by Mr. Denny, Devon and Cornwall Banking Company.)	
542	331	-	Waite, Emanuel -	Bristol - - - - - -	50	50		
545	- -	-	Weston, H. W. -	45, Mark-lane - - - -	10			
548	- -	-	Woodger, William -	37, Throgmorton-street - -	15			
575	332	-	Wilson, Robert -	Everton Liverpool - - -	28	28	Exchanged 55 for 28.	
578	628	-	Williams, Daniel -	Windsor Liverpool - -	50	25	(Coach proprietor.)	
579	629	-	Williams, Thomas -	2, Great Newton-st. Liverpool	30	15		
581	148	-	Wedgwood, jun. R. -	4, Rathbone-place - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
608	- -	-	Wilkinson, George -	178, Great Surrey-st. Blackfriars	30			
618	630	-	White, W. W. - -	1, Swectings-rents - - -	25	15	(Was a proprietor in the Dover.)	
620	333	-	Wilson, H. de Lacy -	3, Grove-place Camberwell -	30	30	(Holds 20.)	
625	- -	-	Wood, Robert - -	7, Capel-court - - -	20			
629	714	-	Walley, Miss Martha	Chester - - - - -	10	10	Paid 20 *l.*, C^{s} delivered.	
642	- -	-	Wood, E. - -	53, Tower-street - - -	15			
643	- -	-	Williams, B. P. -	36, Duke-street St. James's -	20			
656	- -	-	Williams, Charles, sen.	16, Rathbone-place - -	30			
663	631	-	White, Bartholomew	9, Bermondsey-terrace Bermondsey.	10	10	(Recommended by F. G. Hamond.)	
699	- -	-	Wilson, George -	8, Foster-lane - - -	25			
712	- -	-	Wetman, John -	61, Lime-street - - -	20			
719	- -	-	Wilson, R. - -	74, Kennington-st. Walworth	5			
721	- -	-	Wheeler, Charles -	20, Haydon-square - -	50			
723	- -	-	Wilkinson, W. - -	16, Waterloo-place, Albany-road.	20			
724	- -	-	Wilson, John - -	Camberwell-grove - - -	30			
725	- -	-	Wood, Robert - -	Turner & Bys, 18, Throgmorton-street.	30			
729	- -	-	Wallis, William -	78, High-street Whitechapel -	50			
734	- -	-	Wilson, C. - -	6, Doncaster-place Old Kent-road.	20			
770	- -	-	Williams, J. - -	3, White Lion-court Throgmorton-street.	20			
774	- -	-	Willans, William -	1, Bridge-street Blackfriars Southwark.	10			
846	723	-	Ward, George - -	Chester - - - - -	5	5	Paid 10 *l.*, cert^{e} delivered.	
852	334	-	Watts, William -	4, York-house Walworth -	10	10	(Holds 10.)	
853	- -	-	Wilson, J. E. - -	15, Southampton-place Edgeware-road.	30			
863	- -	-	Wilson, S. - -	13, Duke-street, St. James's -	10			
866	- -	-	Williams, M. - -	5, St. John's-place Upper Holloway.	20			
889	335	-	Warburton, A. -	21, Carburton-street Fitzroy-square.	20	20	Exchanged for 40.	
890	- -	-	Willson, Richard -	14, Silver-street, Wood-street -	20			
901	632	-	Willans, Elizabeth -	2, Paragon-pl. New Kent-road	20	20		
920	- -	-	Wilson, C. B. - -	8, Furnival's-inn - - -	25			
925	336	-	Willinck, Daniel -	Liverpool - - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
925	337	-	Willinck, William W.	- ditto - - - - - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
927	- -	-	Wilson, Thomas -	- ditto - - - - 5	[10]	Cancelled; sold Thos. Harris.		
934	- -	-	Wilkins, James -	North-street Hackney - -	30			
950	149	-	Wade, John - -	57, Holborn-hill - - -	20	20	Exchanged for 40.	
955	633	-	Wade, John - -	Camberwell New-road - -	30	(Wm. Green.)		
958	- -	-	Wilton, George -	183, Strand - - - -	20			
961	- -	-	Whiting, Henry James	27, Bow-lane Cheapside -	30			
967	634	-	Watson, A. - -	Yarmouth - - - -	40	40	(Recommended by Mr. Borradaile.) (80)	
974	338	-	Wade, John - -	Birmingham - - - -	35	35	Exchanged 70 for 35.	

Number of Letter of Application.	Number of Letter of Appropriation.	Folio of Ledger.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	Application for Shares.	Allotment.	When Paid.	Scrip when Delivered.
988	339	-	Warden, John - -	Birmingham (direct to E. Hales, 27, Mark-lane.)	13	13	Exchanged 25 for 13.	
989	340	-	Wansbrough, John -	Bristol (direct to Mr. Midlam, 6, Dorset-pl. Pall-mall E.)	3	3		
995	787	-	Whittle, Elias - -	Ave-Maria-lane - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
997	- -		Wilkinson, William -	16, Waterloo-place Albany-road	20			
1002	150	-	Weston, Joseph Saml.	20, Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square.	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
1016	- -	-	Wheatley, J. S. -	43, Noble-street Post-office -	10			
1018	- -	-	Wells, Jonah, & Son	Lothbury; agents to H. Harris of Cirencester; *see* that name.				
1037	348	-	Wade, John - -	Birmingham - - - -	[25]	[25]	*See* above.	
1038	341		Wallen, James Chas.	14, New-street City - -	5	5	Exchanged for 5, paid 5 *l.*	
1055	- -	-	Webb, J. - -	25, Grafton-street, Fitzroy-sq.	20			
1083	342	-	Warburton, P. - -	9, New Church-st. Bermondsey, now of 4, Carburton-street, Fitzroy-square.	120	120	Exchanged for 240.	
1087	635	-	Wylie, John - -	144, Leadenhall-street, now 19, Fenchurch street.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1098	343	-	Wort, John - -	23, Canterbury-row, Kennington-road.	40	40	(Holds 40.)	
1099	344	-	Willson, John - -	63, Charles-street, City-road -	20	20	(Holds 10.)	
1108	- -	-	Wilkins, S. - -	3, Buckingham-place, Old Kent-road.	15			
1120	345	-	Waugh, [Jas. H.] George.	4, White Lion-court - - / 65, Cornhill - - - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1122	- -	-	Walker, E. Vincent -	Hanscombe-cottages Larkhall-lane.	20			
1123	346	-	Wrighton, James -	9, Billiter-street - - -	35	35	27th June, held 35 Dover; exchanged, paid 35 *l.*	
1132	151	-	Wylie, Robert C. -	4, Hertford-street May-fair -	25	25	Exchanged for 50.	
1137	152	-	White, R. Hamond, Lieut. R. N.	Junior United Service Club -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1143	- -	-	Watts, R. S. -	10, Duke-street Borough -	10			
1164	347	-	Wright, W. C. - -	at G. Catherwood's, 3, Warnford-court.	65	65	Paid 5 *l.*, exchanged.	
1207	695	-	Williamson, Joseph -	Liverpool, R. Dawson - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1228	153	-	Wood, Roger - -	Harrow Weald Lodge, Stanmore	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
1240	154	-	Witchell, William -	140, Radcliffe-street Bristol -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
1261	155	-	Wagstaff, Joseph -	Warrington, Lancaster - -	[23]	[23]	Returned to S. J. Boileau.	
1282	158	-	Warwick, Bright -	62, Bold-street Liverpool -	25	25	Exchanged for 50.	
	701	-	Wilson, Joseph -	Tilldesley - - - - -	5	5	Exchanged for 10.	
	754	-	Woollett, Joseph -	10, Gould-square - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	755	-	Wright, John - -	2, Champion-place Grove-lane Camberwell	20	20	[Exchanged], holds 40. (Not exchanged)	
	779	-	Watt, A. - - -	13, Austin-friars - - -	10	10	In lieu of receipt for 20 G[d] lost.	
	782	-	Wheeler, Gervase -	28, Bartlett's-buildings - -	20	20	Exchanged 40 for 20.	
	784	-	Wilson, John - -	8, Regent-terrace, City-road -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	788	-	Walter, George -	East Dulwich - - -	18	18	Exchanged 35 for 18.	
	„ [a]	-	Ditto - - - -	- ditto - - - -	200	200	Exchanged 400 for 200.	
	„ [b]	-	Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - -	300	300	Exchanged 600 for 300.	
	794	-	Willson, Robert -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	100	100	Exchanged 200 for 100.	
	810	-	Watson, Thomas -	12, Norton-street Portland-place.	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
	817	-	Woodgate, William -	Lincoln's Inn - - -	25	25	Exchanged 50 for 25.	
	820	-	Wilders, William -	73, Austin-friars - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	824	-	Watson, James -	Alderman's-walk - - -	80	80	Exchanged 160 for 80.	
	829	-	Webb, William -	2, St. James's-street St. James's-square Bath.	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	836	-	Wilson, E. - -	Birmingham - - - -	5	5	Exchanged 10 for 5.	
	838	-	Whiffen, Henry -	Deptford - - - -	3	3	Exchanged 5 for 3.	
	859	-	White, Edward, should be Cuel.	Finch-lane Cornhill - -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
152	636	-	Yates, Saul - -	3, Bury-court St. Mary-Axe -	25	15		
704	- -	-	Yeakell, Thomas -	9, Pownall-terrace Kensington -	20			
1005	156	-	Young, Edward -	White Lion-court Cornhill -	10	10	Exchanged 20 for 10.	
	774	-	Yates, John, esq. -	71, Lombard-street - -	60	60	Exchanged 120 for 60.	

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KENT RAILWAY.

No. 3. Kent Railway: Alphabetical List of Subscribers.

ALPHABETICAL LIST of SUBSCRIBERS to the KENT RAILWAY CONTRACT, accurately collated with the Papers in the Private Bill Office.

NAMES.	RESIDENCE AND CALLING.	Amount of Subscription.
		£.
Attwood, Algernon - -	27 Gracechurch-street, London - gentleman	1,250
Almosnino, Solomon - -	11 Bevis Marks, St. Mary-Axe - gentleman	4,000
Almosnino, Moses - -	- - 6, Bury-street, St. Mary-Axe, London, merchant	1,000
Andrews, Samuel -	- - 17, Upper York-street, Bryanstone-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	200
Amour, Richard, St. - -	Ostend, Belgium - - - - - - gentleman	500
Anderson, J. Spottiswoode -	24, Austin Friars, London - - gentleman	750
Aylwees, John - - -	- - 90, Lower Thames-street, Middlesex, gentleman	5,000
Ansley, Gilbert - - -	Torrington-place, Middlesex - - gentleman	250
Austret, Edward - - -	- - 3, Gutter-lane, Cheapside, London, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Adams, John - - -	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	1,250
Ashwin, James - - -	agent - - - - - Birmingham, Warwick	1,500
Austin, William - - -	37, Chancery-lane, London - - gentleman	25,000
Andrews, William - -	Dulwich, Surrey - - - - - gentleman	12,500
Ansell, Moses - - -	74, Leman-street, Middlesex - merchant	4,500
Atkins, John - - -	- - 5, White Hart-court, Lombard-street, London - - - - - - - - - gentleman	500
Attwood, Matthias - -	27, Gracechurch-street, London - banker	6,500
Adams, William - - -	- - 42, Stanhope-street, Clare Market, London - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Adam, William - - -	Chigwell, Essex - - - - - - gentleman	2,250
Ansell, George - - -	Savill-place, Mile-end, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Alger, Owen Tickell - -	37, Bedford-row, Middlesex - - gentleman	1,500
Arnold, John Roger - -	Chigwell, Essex - - - - - gentleman	2,250
Akerman, John Yongs -	Peckham, Surrey - - - - - gentleman	2,500
Alpe, John - - - -	24, Finch-lane, Cornhill, London, gentleman	500
Anderson, John Henry -	8, Cloak-lane, City, London - - solicitor	8,500
Borradaile, William - -	Balham, Surrey - - - - - - gentleman	10,000
Brothers, John - - -	Norwood Lodge, Surrey - lieut. Royal Navy	25,000
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - ditto - - - ditto - -	20,000
Byrn, James - - -	Liverpool, Lancashire - - - - merchant	1,250
Barton, William - - -	10, Throgmorton-street, London - gentleman	250
Barnett, Henry - - -	373, Strand, London, Middlesex - gentleman	750
Brown, John - - -	- - 26, Tonbridge-place, New Road, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Bayley, Alfred - - -	Stock Exchange, London - - stock-broker	14,400
Bose, Herman Christoph. -	Virginia House, Cornhill, London - waiter	300
Boileau, Simeon John -	- - Southampton Buildings, Chancery-lane, London - - - - - - - barrister-at-law	3,500
Bell, Thomas William - -	- - 23, Cumberland-street, Portman-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	8,000
Brooks, George - - -	31, Haymarket, Middlesex - - gentleman	150
Beaver, John Holt - -	Ruthin, Denbighshire - - - - gentleman	1,000

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Basset, George - - -	- - 1, Southampton-street, Fitzroy-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - land-agent	750
Beloe, William Charles -	Bristol, Somersetshire - - - - gentleman	150
Brown, James - - -	- - 2, Cumberland-place, New-road, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Bolton, John - - -	17, Surrey-place, Kent-road, Surrey, gentleman	500
Brand, Charles - - -	Bath, Somersetshire - - - - gentleman	500
Bickenhead, John - -	22, Park-road, Chelsea, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Browne, Frederick John -	47, Fenchurch-street, London - hair-dresser	1,750
Bishop, William Percy -	Stoke Newington, Middlesex - gentleman	1,500
Baker, John - - -	284, Oxford-street - - - cheesemonger	500
Burr, William Urban - -	- - 3, Henrietta-street, Brunswick-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	500
Blake, Thomas - - -	Doctors Commons, Middlesex - gentleman	14,000
Brome, Frederick - -	Woolwich, Kent - - - - - gentleman	35,250
Bayley, George - - -	Stock Exchange, Middlesex - - gentleman	4,750
Brown, Ebenezer Ball - -	7, Haberdashers'-place - - - gentleman	250
Buggelin, Richard - -	Sugar-refiner - - Liverpool, Lancashire	1,000
Brockelbank, William - -	merchant - - - - ditto - ditto -	250
Bowring, George - -	artist - - - - - ditto - ditto -	400
Belfour, James - - -	clerk - - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	500
Byford, Edward - - -	broker - - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Brown, William - - -	broker - - - - - ditto - ditto -	250
Beelby, Robson - - -	accountant - - - - - - Birmingham	1,500
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - - - - - - - ditto -	500
Ditto - - - -	ditto - - - - - - - - - ditto -	250
Blood, Richard - - -	factor - - - - - - - - - ditto -	400
Blount, Walter - - -	solicitor - - - - - - - - ditto -	250
Barwell, John - - -	dealer in metal - - - - - - ditto -	1,500
Boisragon, Henry Charles -	M. D. - - - - Cheltenham, Gloucester	500
Beadle, Elizabeth Fauntleroy	spinster - - - Kingsdown Parade, Bristol	250
Burt, Thomas Samuel - -	brewer - - - - - - Woolwich, Kent	2,500
Beard, R. R. Worthington -	gentleman - Crosshouse, Fawkham, Kent	1,500
Brown, James John - -	Peckham, Surrey - - - - - gentleman	10,250
Barend, Simon - - -	- - 25, Russell-street, Bedford-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	12,500
Brown, John - - -	- - 33, Gerrard-street, Soho, Middlesex, merchant	9,500
Berraqueen, Solomon - -	Woburn-buildings, Middlesex - gentleman	4,500
Berraqueen, Jacob - -	8, King-street, Aldgate, London - grocer	2,500
Barzeber, Joseph Simeon -	- - 3, Cumming-street, Wapping, Middlesex, gentleman	3,500
Broad, George - - -	Peckham, Surrey - - - - - gentleman	500
Bousfield, James - - -	68, Wood-street, Cheapside, London - clerk	400
Bird, Martin - - -	4, Church-street, Southwark - - builder	250
Bright, John - - -	- - Sheffington-hall, Market Harborough, Leicestershire - - - - - - - - esquire	500
Brown, John - - -	29, Lombard-street, London - - gentleman	750
Bond, Charles - - -	62, Cannon-st., London - fishing-rod-maker	250
Bryant, Shuttleworth - -	Sweeting's-alley, London - - - - agent	500
Blackmore, Richard - -	- - 3, Trafalgar-place, West, Hackney-road, broker	2,000
Beldin, James - - -	- - Kenton-street, Brunswick-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	1,000
Bernard, Elijah - - -	clerk - - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	650
Clifford, Charles - - -	18, Finsbury-street, Middlesex - gentleman	1,500
Castello, Jacob Nunez - -	11, Beaumont-street, Middlesex - gentleman	500
Castello, Jacob - - -	11, Beaumont-place, Middlesex - gentleman	7,500
Clowston, Edward - -	- - 31, Keppel-street, Russell-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - esquire	500
Clark, Charles Vane - -	- - 5, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street, London - - - - - - - - - gentleman	7,000
Cope, Benjamin - - -	26, Barbican, Middlesex - - - gentleman	250
Charrington, William - -	- - 21, Cross-street, Hatton-garden, London, gentleman	500
Cadet, James - - -	29, Great Portland-street, Middlesex, M. D.	3,750
Clarke, James - - -	Kingsland-road, London - - gentleman	3,500
Collins, Charles Frederick -	53, Spital-square, Middlesex - solicitor	1,250

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Clarke, John	1, Southampton-street, Fitzroy-square, Middlesex - surveyor	250
Clarke, James	Kingsland-road, London - gentleman	250
Clayton, Joseph	31, Haymarket, London - victualler	500
Cruden, Robert Peirce	Gravesend, Kent - gentleman	650
Cutling, Alfred	Stock Exchange, St. Bartholomew, Middlesex - gentleman	2,500
Chaplin, William	Sudbourn, Suffolk - gentleman	5,000
Cape, Jonathan	Croydon, Surrey - clerk	1,500
Castlewood, William Henry	3, Warnford-court, Middlesex, stock-broker	3,250
Cummins, Mary Ann	2, Bowness-house, Kennington, Middlesex, spinster	250
Crawford, James	broker - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Cowan, William	LL.D. - ditto - ditto	5,000
Carruthers, George	chemist - Lancaster, ditto	750
Clemison, John	gentleman - Chester, Cheshire	1,250
Cross, William	distiller - ditto - ditto	1,250
Critchley, William	pawnbroker - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Crewe, Richard	broker - ditto - ditto	500
Cook, John	calenderer - Manchester, ditto	650
Clarke, Thomas, jun.	manufacturer - Birmingham, Warwick	2,500
Cope, Edward	solicitor - ditto - ditto	250
Cassens, William George	accountant - High-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	250
Cooper, George	chemist - Reading, Berks	250
Chipchase, James	gentleman - Dartford, Kent	3,000
Clarke, James	118, Tyson-place, Kingsland-road, Middlesex - gentleman	3,550
Coulson, Robert	9, Whiteskin-street, Finsbury, Middlesex, engraver	50
Clarke, William	Seymour-street, Middlesex - gentleman	3,750
Cooke, Henry	8, Houndsditch, London - gentleman	9,500
Coulton, William	Surrey-canal house, Kent-road, Kent, gentleman	500
Culshaw, Ralph	Nottingham-place, Middlesex - merchant	2,500
Cork, Daniel	Leadenhall, London - salesman	150
Chapman, William	75, Blackfriars-road, Surrey - gentleman	1,750
Cook, Henry	8, Houndsditch, London - gentleman	2,000
Carr, Samuel	27 ½, Moon Crescent, Pentonville, Middlesex - gentleman	250
Chamberlain, Wm. Robinson	21, Surrey-grove, New Kent-road, Kent, agent	5,000
Clark, Thomas	8, Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex, solicitor	5,000
Chaplin, William	Sudbourn, Suffolk - gentleman	20,000
Cuell, Edward	Finch-lane, Cornhill, London - gentleman	500
Champ, Philip	7, Retreat-place, Hackney, Middlesex, accountant	5,100
Chapman, William John	Seymour-place, Euston-square, Middlesex, gentleman	6,000
Collard, Rolla Habakkuk	accountant - 2, Waterloo-place, Montpelier, Bristol, Somersetshire	100
Dunman, Thomas	4, Shorter's-court, London - gentleman	500
Dodgson, William Oliver	Stock Exchange - gentleman	750
Davis, William	69, Pall-mall, Middlesex - gentleman	1,000
Dilworth, Wm. Jas. George	13, Newcastle-street, City, London, stationer, &c.	500
Drowater, Augustus Charles	Dorchester, Dorset - gentleman	1,000
De Grave, Edward Abraham	Sutton Common, Surrey - gentleman	2,250
De Medina, Henry	32, Fitzroy-square, London - gentleman	1,650
Dobinson, Robert	9, Devonshire-place, Newington-green, Middlesex - gentleman	150
De Riemer, James Alexander	17, King-street, Portman-square, gentleman	2,500
Dowster, Charles	Harby cottage, Peckham-road, Surrey, agent	250
Drakefield, John	silkbroker - Manchester, Lancashire	500
Dewhurst, Thomas	shipbroker - Lancaster, ditto	1,000
Dunnington, Thomas	gentleman - Liverpool - ditto	500

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Drake, James	Birmingham, Warwick - bookseller	150
Dibsdall, Silas	linen-merchant - Bristol	2,500
Dell, Edward	merchant - Woolwich, Kent	2,100
Dunkin, John	printer - Dartford, Kent	1,000
Davis, John	Carter-place, Walworth, Surrey - gentleman	3,550
Decharms, William	Stockwell, Surrey - gentleman	2,500
Dorrington, William	Kennington, Surrey - agent	2,500
Donaldson, Hugh Douglas	-- 3, West-street, Finsbury, Middlesex, gentleman	1,000
Dunn, John	-- 52, Great Tower-street, London - wine-merchant	250
Dawson, Thomas	-- 56, Paradise-street, Lambeth, Surrey, builder	1,000
Downes, Charles	Warwick-street, Westminster - army-agent	2,000
Dennis, John	Salisbury, Wilts - gentleman	250
Deare, Thomas	-- Northampton-street, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	5,000
Dunkin, Alfred John	printer - Dartford, Kent	500
De Salis, William Fane	-- 19, Bury-street, Saint James's, Westminster - esquire	1,250
Emerson, George	-- Cold Harbour-lane, Camberwell, Surrey, gentleman	250
Euston, John	10, Hart-street, Mark-lane, London, gentleman	500
Elliott, William	-- 33, Whiskin-street, St. John's-road, Middlesex - gentleman	150
Edwards, Thomas	-- Golden Cross, Charing Cross, Westminster - hotel-keeper	250
Eastwood, Thomas	gentleman - Lancaster, Lancashire	500
Ewes, Josiah	button-maker - Birmingham, Warwick	500
Everett, Charles William	banker - Salisbury, Wilts	1,000
Edmonds, William	wine-merchant - 2, Philpot-lane, London	800
Evans, Thomas Fisher	-- Law Society, Chancery-lane, London, gentleman	250
Fayle, Charlotte	16, Aldermanbury, London - spinster	2,500
Froom, Andrew	-- 98, Saint John-street-road, Middlesex, straw-hat manufacturer	250
Fellon, James	Royal Mews, Pimlico, Middlesex, gentleman	1,000
Foreman, William Henry	45, Leadenhall-street, London - gentleman	750
Friend, John	Howford-buildings, London - gentleman	750
Fielden, John	51, Paddington-street, Middlesex, gentleman	5,750
Faith, George	36, Mincing-lane, London - merchant	250
Farrow, James Lawrence	Reading, Berks - butcher	250
Franklin, Abraham	merchant - Manchester, Lancashire	2,250
Foxcroft, Henry	surgeon - Lancaster, Lancashire	750
Franks, George Anthony	professor of music - - Chester, Cheshire	250
Foulkes, Abel	glove manufacturer - ditto - ditto	150
Fox, William	merchant - Gloucester, Gloucestershire	250
Fry, Zephaniah	-- woollen factor - Castle-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	1,500
Foster, William	-- 6, Bernard-street, Holborn, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Fielder, Edward Hicks	Crosby Hall Chambers, London - agent	4,750
Grantham, Mary	George-street, Croydon, Surrey - spinster	2,000
Godwin, Thomas	5, Angel-court, London - gentleman	6,650
Griffith, Robert	-- 16, Cloudesly-square, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	1,500
Giraud, Richard Heroe	-- 11, Leonard-place, Kennington, Surrey, gentleman	400
Griffiths, William Tomlin	-- 5, Cambridge-street, Edgware-road, Middlesex - gentleman	2,000
Gewes, Thomas	141, Regent-street, Middlesex - bookseller	250
Goode, Frederick	Surrey-street, Strand, Middlesex, navy-agent	4,400
Guishard, Lawrence	-- 32, Whiskin-street, St. John's-road, Middlesex - glasscutter	150
Gunter, Richard	7, Berkeley-square, Middlesex - gentleman	150

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Goodwin, William	Kidderminster, Worcester - gentleman	500
Grundy, Thomas	iron and brass-founder - Northampton, Northamptonshire	250
Germon, Nicholas	clerk - Manchester, Lancashire	500
Gerard, Enoch	accountant - Chester, Cheshire	3,750
Gough, Richard	tanner - ditto - ditto	5,000
Green, John	agent - Birmingham, Warwickshire	3,750
Goodeve, William James	surgeon - Mall, Clifton, Bristol, Somersetshire	4,250
Green, Frederick William	ship-builder - Bristol, Somersetshire	4,250
Goddard, Robert Hendrick	merchant - Woolwich, Kent	2,200
Grant, Francis Roggett	clerk - Dartford, Kent	2,000
Green, Virginia	New Kent-road, Kent - spinster	4,000
Green, Jane	New Kent-road, Kent - spinster	5,250
Green, Julia	New Kent-road, Kent - spinster	5,250
Glazier, Antonio	52, Fenchurch-street, London - shoemaker	6,500
Grubbe, James Andrew Hunt	9, Albon-terrace, Kensington - clerk	7,500
Gregson, John	4, Suffolk-street, Middlesex - gentleman	500
Griffith, Charles	Gloster-place, Hackney, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Gardner, John	Walworth, Surrey - gentleman	3,000
Garth, John	Battersea, Surrey - shipowner	7,500
Hitch, Charles	Lord Chamberlain's-office, Middlesex, messenger	250
Hall, William	83, London-road, Southwark - gentleman	4,850
Hamilton, John William	40, Broad-street-buildings, London, gentleman	250
Haselwood, Lewis Herrop	10, Little Stanhope-street, May Fair, Middlesex - gentleman	5,000
Habgood, Thomas	16, Hatton-garden, Middlesex - goldsmith	900
Hannah, Joseph	25, Kennington-road, Surrey - gentleman	500
Harris, James	Tottenham-court-road, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Hill, Joseph	Bath, Somersetshire - hatter	250
Hoghton, Charles	49, Hamilton-terrace, St. John's Wood, Middlesex - gentleman	750
Ditto	ditto - gentleman	500
Harman, John	14, Throgmorton-street, London, Middlesex - stock-broker	500
Hopkinson, Charles	Fenton's hotel, St. James's-street, Middlesex - banker	2,500
Humphreys, Joseph	coffee-roaster - Liverpool, Lancashire	150
Higson, John	solicitor - Manchester, Lancashire	250
Hardie, Herbert	merchant - ditto - ditto	16,900
Hall, John	solicitor - Lancaster, Lancashire	1,000
Harrop, William	straw-hat dealer - Chester, Cheshire	1,250
Harling, William	schoolmaster - ditto - ditto	500
Hignett, John	solicitor - ditto - ditto	1,250
Hall, Eaton	merchant - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Head, John	ditto - ditto - ditto	750
Harris, Thomas	broker - ditto - ditto	3,100
Holmes, Edward	gentleman - Mosley, near Birmingham, Warwickshire	1,000
Holmes, Rupert	veterinary surgeon - Birmingham, Warwickshire	500
Harwood, James	share-broker - Birmingham, Warwickshire	6,000
Haines, Thomas Augustus	clerk - ditto - ditto	500
Harford, John	victualler - ditto - ditto	250
Hellings, Rich Hawkins	solicitor - Bath, Somersetshire	3,000
Harris, Henry	gentleman - Cirencester, Gloucestershire	400
Holliday, Francis	shipowner - 3, Montagu-parade, Bristol	2,250
Hammond, Charles Frederick	gentleman - Blackheath, Kent	5,100
Hathway, Thomas	Albany-road, Camberwell, Surrey, gentleman	10,400
Hurst, Joseph	2, Sherborne-lane, London - agent	9,500
Hatchwell, William	38, Wilson-street, Finsbury-street, Middlesex - gentleman	12,500
Harman, Petters	14, Throgmorton-street, London, stock-broker	500
Hall, William	Mount Nodd College, Streatham - gentleman	2,750
Ditto	ditto - gentleman	300

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		£
Haynes, William - -	St. Michael's-alley, Cornhill, London, agent	1,250
Howard, William Waters -	- - 13, Raven-row, Mile-end, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Hopson, Thomas - - -	37, Fleet-street, London - - - gentleman	150
Herapath, Alfred - - -	Bristol, Somersetshire - - - - gentleman	5,250
Herapath, Spenser - -	Kensington, Middlesex - - - gentleman	5,000
Herapath, Maria - - -	- ditto - - ditto - - - - spinster	5,250
Hammond, Frederick George	Greenwich, Kent - - - - - gentleman	7,500
Hooper, John - - -	Kennington, Surrey - - - - gentleman	5,750
Hammond, Munden - -	27, Lombard-street, London - - - agent	1,500
Hammond, John - - -	- ditto - - - - - - - - gentleman	3,000
Hammond, Amelia - -	Hawley-square, Margate, Kent - spinster	11,050
Howell, John Rees - -	Bucklersbury, London - - - - gentleman	10,000
Holland, Edmund Charles -	33, Sackville-street, Westminster, gentleman	12,000
Houston, John Turner - -	Brighton-place, Brixton, Surrey - surgeon	2,250
Hodges, Edmund - -	Ramsgate, Kent - - - - - - gentleman	5,000
Hammond, William - -	27, Lombard-street, London - - - agent	4,000
Jardine, Samuel George -	57, Threadneedle-street - - - gentleman	1,000
Ireland, John - - -	25, Robert-street, Middlesex - - gentleman	2,000
Jackson, Robert - - -	solicitor - - - - Lancaster, Lancashire	1,000
Irlam, John - - -	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Irlam, Betty - - -	gentlewoman - - - - ditto - ditto -	150
Irlam, Elizabeth Cowley -	spinster - Booth, near Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Jackson, William - -	brush-maker - Birmingham, Warwickshire	1,000
Johnson, William - -	oil merchant - - - Bristol, Somersetshire	4,400
Ireland, Richard - - -	Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	5,400
Ireland, Richard, jun. - -	- ditto - - - - ditto - - gentleman	5,100
Issett, Gorman - - -	- - 55, Gloucester-place, Bloomsbury, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	5,500
Johnson, William Samuel -	- - 30, Cowper-street, City-road, Middlesex, accountant and broker	5,500
Jacobs, Michael - - -	9, Gloucester-street, Middlesex - gentleman	9,500
Inall, George - - -	Islington, Middlesex - - - - gentleman	10,000
Jourdain, John Robert - -	23, Threadneedle-street, London - gentleman	500
Jeeves, Thomas - - -	- - 7, Smith-street, Northampton-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	1,000
Johnson, Samuel - - -	Bristol, Somersetshire - - - - merchant	750
James, Thomas - - -	- - 7, Smith-street, Northampton-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Johnson, Adolphus Pugh -	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - - - gentleman	2,500
Jansten, John - - -	Mile-end, Middlesex - - - - gentleman	3,500
Kennelly, Dennis - -	- - 25, College-street, Tooley-street, Southwark - - - - - - - - - - cooper	1,250
King, George - - -	Farnborough, Warwickshire - - gentleman	3,750
Kelly, Francis - - -	broker - - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Kempson, Samuel - -	manufacturer - Birmingham, Warwickshire	3,400
Kennaby, James - - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - - gentleman	5,000
Kenway, Peter - - -	agent - - Hunter's-hill, near Birmingham	250
Kaines, James - - -	- - 20, New-road, St. George's in the East, newsvender	50
Koing, Frederick - -	Liverpool, Lancashire - - - - merchant	250
Lindo, Elias Haim - -	14, St. Mary-Axe, London - - merchant	2,000
Lyon, Andrew John William	- - 6, Freeman's-court, Cornhill, London, gentleman	250
Lewis, George Wenham -	- - 130, Jermyn-street, Regent-street, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	600
Lane, John Edward - -	- - Great Berkhampstead, Hertfordshire, nurseryman	2,500
Lainchbury, James - -	60, Lombard-street, London - - gentleman	250
Land, William Henry - -	Bristol, Somersetshire - - - - - broker	750
Lightfoot, Thomas - -	broker - - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	750
Long, William - - -	currier - - - Manchester, Lancashire	250
Lingo, Walter - - -	druggist - - - - - - Bury, Lancashire	1,000
Lloyd, Edward Watson -	gentleman - - - - Chester, Cheshire	500
Lucas, Henry - - -	agent - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	1,250

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Lawden, Alfred	jeweller - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	150
Langley, Thomas	leather factor - Birmingham, Warwickshire	1,900
Loch, William	- - surgical instrument-maker, Ashton, near Birmingham, Warwickshire	150
Lloyd, Samuel	M.A. - - - - - - Nailsworth, Gloucester	4,000
Lloyd, Nathaniel	gentleman - - - - Nailsworth, Gloucester	400
Lediard, Thomas	solicitor - - - - Cirencester, Gloucester	1,250
Lane, Odianne Coates	bookseller - - Clive-place, Clifton, Bristol	2,500
Low, James	linen merchant - - Bristol, Somersetshire	2,500
Lee, Richard	Bartholomew-lane - - - - - - - jobber	5,500
Lumley, William	- - 158, Ratcliffe-highway, willow square manufacturer	4,500
Ladd, Edward Nicholas	- - 4, John-street, Jubilee-place, Commercial-road, Middlesex - - - - - coal merchant	2,000
Lane, Robert	- - Independent Gas Works, Haggerstone, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	250
Litchworth, Henry Finch	Reading, Berkshire - - - - - gentleman	250
Legge, William George	4, Dorset-place, Middlesex - - gentleman	1,000
Lillelendenson, Lewis	- - 57, King-street, Soho-square, Middlesex, merchant	8,500
Money, George	- - Mivart's Hotel, Brook-street, Westminster, barrister-at-law	10,250
Murray, Thomas Laurie	- - 38, Hill-street, Berkeley-square, Middlesex, gentleman	20,000
Miller, Charles	- - 14, Lower Chapman-street, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Mitchell, Robert Dribble	58, Upper Stamford-street, Surrey - M. D.	250
Musgrove, John Clitsome	Wincanton, Somersetshire - - gentleman	250
Morgan, John	- - 2, Friday-street, Cheapside, London, warehouseman	250
Madgwick, Edward	- - St. John's-lane, Clerkenwell, Middlesex, ironmonger	1,000
M'All, John	Loughton, Essex - - - - - gentleman	250
Miller, Michael Hodsole	Scarborough, Yorkshire - - - - clerk	250
Moon, Sarah Ambrosia	Deptford, Kent - - - - - gentlewoman	150
Mills, Alfred	- - Holbeach, Lincolnshire, agent to Messrs. Gurney & Co., bankers	1,000
Masterton, Henry William	14, Highbury Park, Middlesex - gentleman	7,000
Mackenzie, Henry	- - 3, Claremont-row, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	150
Mackintosh, Augustus Friend	- - College-place, Camden Town, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Mash, James	Queen's-row, Walworth, Surrey - gentleman	250
Mayne, William	15, Bishopsgate-street, Middlesex, gentleman	5,000
Mills, William	17, Austin-friars, Middlesex - - gentleman	4,500
Ditto	- ditto - - - - - - - - - ditto -	5,000
M'Neill, Robert	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	500
Marshall, Robert	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	500
Mucklow, Thomas	gentleman - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	2,000
Moxon, William	surveyor - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	250
Marsden, Robert	- - 75, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - Royal Navy	5,200
Ditto	- ditto - - - - - - - - ditto -	3,500
Milverton, John	- - 17, Wellesley-street, Euston-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - bookseller	2,500
Manson, David	Edinburgh, Scotland - - - - gentleman	1,250
Manley, William	- - 15, Bishopsgate-street Within, London, gentleman	750
Maltby, Brough George	Clapham Rise, Surrey - - - - gentleman	250
Minshull, George Rowland	Grove-lane, Camberwell, Surrey - gentleman	150
May, William	Lower-place, Clapton, Middlesex, merchant	1,250
Martin, Thomas	Liverpool, Lancashire - - - - gentleman	750
Nimmo, Thomas Henry	9, Victoria-place, Walworth, Surrey, gentleman	4,500
Necton, George	Norwich, Norfolk - - - - - gentleman	2,000
Nicol, John	18, Fenchurch-street, London - gentleman	650
Nicholson, John	9, New Gloucester-place, Middlesex, gentleman	750

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Newton, Richard	12, Great Carter-lane, London - gentleman	150
Nichol, Anthony	Liverpool, Lancashire - - - - merchant	1,750
Neild, Thomas	solicitor - - - Manchester, Lancashire	250
Nescomb, John	bookseller - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	1,250
Nutt, Justinian	major in the army - Cheltenham, Gloucester	5,000
Noble, Samuel	builder - - - - - - Woolwich, Kent	3,500
Nokes, William	solicitor - - - - - - Woolwich, Kent	2,500
Nevill, Thomas Samuel	- - 35, Mansell-street, Goodman's Fields, gentleman	25,000
Newcombe, Francis	6, Doncaster-place, Middlesex - gentleman	6,500
Nicholson, Richard	- - 24, Gibson-street, Middlesex, tobacco merchant	9,350
Nunez, Aaron	1, Jewry-street, Middlesex - - bootmaker	5,500
Nott, Susan	Brighton, Sussex - - - - - - widow	1,000
Ogden, John Robert	51, Paddington-street, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Osmond, Francis	Kingsbridge, Devon - - - - gentleman	300
Page, Robert	- - Upper Seymour-street, Portman-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - esquire	10,000
Perkins, Charles	Southend, Kent - - - - - gentleman	20,000
Phillpotts, Thomas	3, Park-street, Westminster - - merchant	20,000
Parnell, John	- - 7, Bennett-street, St. James's, Westminster - - - - - - - - - - surgeon	500
Parsons, William Augustus	Southam, Warwickshire - - - surgeon	9,750
Phillipe, George Peter	9, Gray's-inn-square, Middlesex - gentleman	2,500
Piercy, William Algernon	- - 15, Elder-street, Spital-square, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Pidgeon, Jonathan Sills	Reading, Berkshire - - - - gentleman	250
Preston, Charles Cooper	27, Gracechurch-street, London - gentleman	1,500
Presbury, Charles	Boulogne-sur-Mer, France - - gentleman	500
Powell, Alexander	Hundcott, near Salisbury, Wiltshire - esquire	1,250
Penshyn, Edward	East Sheen, Surrey - - - - - - esquire	250
Pitfield, William	2, Shadwell, Middlesex - - - gentleman	1,500
Palmer, Philip Hall	Granby, near Bingham, Nottingham - clerk	500
Pickering, John	music-seller - - Manchester, Lancashire	250
Parry, John	drysalter - - - Manchester, Lancashire	250
Preston, Samuel	wine merchant - - Lancaster, Lancashire	250
Paling, John	grocer - - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	2,500
Peppett, William	wine and spirit dealer, Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Pemberton, Edwin	ironmaster - Birmingham, Warwickshire	750
Poulton, Ben Wheeler	Hounslow, Middlesex - - - - gentleman	2,500
Preston, Charles Cooper	27, Gracechurch-street, London - gentleman	1,000
Parker, John	77, Basinghall-street, London - gentleman	400
Porritt, Isaac	- - High-street, Deptford, Kent, bookseller and stationer	150
Parry, Elias	- - 6, River-street, Pentonville, Middlesex, gentleman	400
Pharazyn, Charles John	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - - - gentleman	1,000
Peters, William	Minories, London - - - - - gentleman	1,500
Prankherd, Vernon	- - 16, Park-street, Kingsland, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Price, George	- - Rose-place, Globe-lane, Mile-end, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - gentleman	25,000
Quarrell, Richard	Oxford-house, Cheltenham, Gloucester, clerk	5,000
Ronald, Rowand	- - 20, Upper Berkeley-street, Portman-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	20,000
Reynolds, Andrew	221, Strand, London - - - - - artist	250
Rickman, Harry Neave	122, Cheapside, London - - - gentleman	750
Ratton, Lewis	- - 11, Union-street, Old Broad-street, London, gentleman	500
Rist, William	- - 29, Great North-street, Lisson-grove, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	2,000
Rule, Thomas	65, Lombard-street, London - - gentleman	250
Reeve, John	10, John-street, Adelphi, Middlesex, ditto -	500

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Read, William	Junior United Service Club, Pall Mall, Westminster, gentleman	2,500
Rake, Thomas	10, Duke-street, Southwark, gentleman	7,500
Radcliffe, George	Salisbury, Wiltshire, clerk	750
Richards, Edward	11, Haymarket, Middlesex, gentleman	4,250
Rowe, John	16, 'Change-alley, Cornhill, Middlesex, engraver and printer	1,500
Richardson, John, junior	broker, Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Rose, James	miller, Much Wootten, Liverpool, Lancashire	1,000
Rowley, Henry	18, Savage-gardens, London, gentleman	10,500
Rothschild, Mark	72, Britannia-terrace, Middlesex, gentleman	7,500
Russell, John H. Cromwell	Sittingbourne, Kent, gentleman	1,650
Robertson, George	White Conduit-street, Pentonville, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Reeves, Charles Freeling	General Post-office, Glasgow, gentleman	4,500
Roy, Thomas	Liverpool, Lancashire, gentleman	500
Rose, Richard	41 & 42, Dover-street, Westminster, gentleman	2,500
Skerrett, Joseph Marcus Annesley.	Knockhold-house, Kent, lieutenant-colonel	10,000
Short, Henry	45, Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park, Middlesex, gentleman	20,000
Stock, John Rodway	22, Dorset-place, Regent's Park, Middlesex, captain	1,600
Sanguin John	27, Gracechurch-street, London, porter	250
Stevenson, William Thorpe	13, Angel-court, London, gentleman	1,750
Shipton, Frances	38, Ely-pl., Holborn, Middlesex, gentlewoman	3,000
Stoken, Peter Frederick	11, Stafford-place, Pimlico, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Stock, John Rodway	46, Upper Baker-street, Middlesex gentleman,	50
Sedgwick, Thomas Lond	41, Mark-lane, London, ironmonger	1,250
Short, Henry	43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park, Middlesex, member of University of Cambridge	10,500
Smith, James	27, Austin-friars, London, gentleman	250
Shaw, John Wyberg	15, Clarence-street, Regent's Park, Middlesex, gentleman	1,000
Stone, Samuel	24, Austin-friars, London, gentleman	750
Strange, John	2, Crescent-road, St. John's Wood, Middlesex, esquire	750
Scott, John Wray	2, Bartholomew-lane, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Smith, Frederick Henry	11, Peckham-grove, Camberwell, Surrey gentleman	250
Smith, William Alexander	Liverpool, Lancashire, merchant	750
Stock, William	glass merchant, Liverpool, Lancashire	1,250
Smith, John	banker's clerk, Manchester, Lancashire	400
Swallow, John	cotton dealer, Manchester, Lancashire	250
Sprent, William	grocer, Chester, Cheshire	7,500
Scholefeld, John	wine merchant, Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Stavert, Thomas	merchant, Liverpool, Lancashire	1,000
Scholfield, William	brewer, Liverpool, Lancashire	250
Short, Sarah Jane	spinster, Hansworth, Warwickshire	1,000
Simcox, Thomas	solicitor, Birmingham, Warwickshire	1,750
Shipway, Benjamin	printer, Birmingham, Warwickshire	250
Shillotal, William Maw	chemist, Birmingham, Warwickshire	250
Southall, Richard	merchant, Birmingham, Warwickshire	2,650
Stokes, James	share broker, Cheltenham, Gloucester	1,250
Smith, Joseph	gentleman, Cirencester, Gloucester	750
Shewell, Edward	captain Royal Navy, Reading, Berkshire	500
Smith, William	banker, Salisbury, Wilts	1,000
Spencer, Richard	27, Baldwin St., Middlesex, accountant	9,500
Smyth, John	30, Castle-street, Middlesex, gentleman	9,500
Swannell, William	East-street, Old Kent road, Kent merchant	750
Simpson, John	2, Princes-square, Wilson-street, London gentleman	250
Ditto	ditto, ditto	500
Stokes, William	Fenchurch-street, London, gentleman	200
Smith, Robert	New court, Bow-lane, merchant	1,500
Sharp, Samuel	Union-court, Broad-street, London, broker	150

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Snow, Thomas Frostin	Bristol, Somersetshire - - - linen draper	250
Stephenson, William	- - Grosvenor-place, Camberwell, Surrey, gentleman	5,000
Sutton, Robert, junior	Stock Exchange - - - - - gentleman	5,000
Syret, Frederick	New Kent-road, Kent - - - - gentleman	3,000
Smith, Alexander Henry	- - 43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde Park, Middlesex, gentleman	10,000
Short, William Howard	- - 20, Guilford-street, Russell-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	10,000
Stephen, William	- - Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars, London, gentleman	3,500
Stephen, George	Basinghall-street, London - - gentleman	,000
Twells, John	27, Gracechurch-street, London - - banker	20,000
Ditto	ditto - - - - - - - - - - ditto -	7,500
Tayler, Silas Badger	- - 10, Cloudesley-square, Islington, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - merchant	900
Taylor, George	- - 114, Great Russell-street, Bedford-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - gentleman	400
Tucker, Henry	30, Regent-street, Middlesex - clerk	3,000
Taylor, Samuel	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	150
Townsend, Richard	clerk - - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	150
Twining, William	innkeeper - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	500
Thornhill, John	gentleman - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	150
Toney, Thomas	draper - - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	250
Timmis, Ebenezer	- - goldsmith and broker - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	2,250
Timmis, Joseph	gentleman - - Birmingham, Warwickshire	15,000
Thunder, William	merchant - - - - - - Woolwich, Kent	2,100
Thick, Charles James	Felix-place, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	10,000
Thompson, Thomas	5, Scott-place, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	10,000
Townsend, William	17, Cullum-street, London - - agent	8,500
Thompson, William	Surrey-grove, Kent-road, Kent - gentleman	2,800
Thomas, George	Shaftesbury, Dorset - - - - - gentleman	250
Taylor, Richard	Canonbury, Islington, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Valpy, Abraham John	- - 7, Sussex-place, Regent's-park, Middlesex, gentleman	1,000
Uniacke, John	gentleman - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	2,500
Vandergucht, Edwin	Tavistock-street, Middlesex - - gentleman	500
Vernon, George	10, Basinghall-street, London - merchant	750
Walter, George	East Dulwich, Surrey - - - - gentleman	20,000
Ditto	ditto - - - ditto - - - - ditto -	13,000
Warburton, Peter	- - 9, New Church-street, Bermondsey, Surrey, gentleman	6,000
Warwick, Bright	- - 62, Bold-street, Liverpool, Lancashire, merchant	1,250
Warburton, Arthur	21, Carburton-street, Middlesex - gentleman	1,000
Wollen, Charles James	14, New-street, City-road, Middlesex, foreman	250
Wrighton, James	9, Billiter-street, London - - - gentleman	1,750
Wylie, Robert Crighton	4, Hertford-street, May-fair, Middlesex - -	1,250
Wade, John	57, Holborn-hill, London - tailor and draper	1,000
Weston, Joseph Samuel	- - Chapel-street, Grosvenor square, Middlesex, gentleman	1,250
Wait, James	- - 14, Wood-street, Spitalfields, Middlesex, merchant	150
Wood, Roger	Harrow Weald Lodge, Middlesex, gentleman	250
West, George Frederick	- - Portugal-street, Lincoln's-inn, Middlesex, gentleman	500
Wedgwood, Ralph, jun.	4, Rathbone-place, Middlesex - merchant	500
Webb, George Dudley	13, Cornhill, London - - - - gentleman	1,000
Willink, Daniel	Liverpool, Lancashire - - - - merchant	1,000
Woollett, Joseph	Gould-square, London, Middlesex, merchant	1,250
White, Richard Hamond	- - Carlton Chambers, Regent-street, Middlesex - - - - lieutenant Royal Navy	500
Watt, Alexander	13, Austin-friars - - - - - gentleman	500
Whittle, Elias	17, Ave Maria-lane, Middlesex - gentleman	250
Williamson, Joseph	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	250

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Wilson, Joseph - - -	cotton-spinner - - Tildsley, Lancashire	250
Ward, George - - -	gentleman - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	250
Williams, William - -	dyer - - - - - - - Chester, Cheshire	1,000
Wilson, Robert - - -	merchant - - - - Liverpool, Lancashire	1,400
Wilding, Thomas - - -	book-keeper - - - Liverpool, ditto	250
Wellink, Withen Williamson	gentleman - - - - Liverpool, ditto	1,000
Wade, John - - -	sharebroker - Birmingham, Warwickshire	1,750
Warden, John - - -	corn-dealer - Birmingham, ditto	650
Witchell, William - -	- - merchant, Redcliffe-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	500
Wansbrigh, John - -	stationer - - - - Bristol, Somersetshire	150
Warte, Emanuel - - -	- - accountant, Avon-street, Bristol, Somersetshire	2,500
Webb, John - - -	gentleman - - - - - - Dartford, Kent	3,250
Wilson, Effingham - -	- - 3, South-street, Finsbury, Middlesex, gentleman	10,200
Wilson, Effingham, jun. -	14, Finsbury Circus, Middlesex - gentleman	5,500
Willans, Eliza - - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - - widow	4,500
Wettenhall, James - -	- - 25, Chester-place, Kennington, Surrey, gentleman	12,250
Watson, William - - -	- - 12, Cooper's-row, Crutched-friars, London, gentleman	9,500
Wright, William - - -	- - 28, Great Charlotte-street, Middlesex, gentleman	800
Waugh, George - - -	- - 4, White Lion-court, Cornhill, London, esquire	500
Wilson, Robert - - -	27, Gracechurch-street, London - gentleman	5,000
Wheeler, Gervase - -	28, Bartlett's-buildings, Middlesex, gentleman	1,000
Wilson, John - - -	- - 8, Regent-terrace, City-road, Middlesex, gentleman	250
Watkins, Harry Tyrrell - -	- - 7, Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square, Middlesex - - - - - - - - - - gentleman	4,500
Watson, Thomas - - -	Throgmorton-street, London - - gentleman	150
Wilders, William - -	17, Austin-friars, London - - gentleman	250
Watson, James - - -	Alderman's-walk, London - - - merchant	4,000
Webb, William - - -	2, Jermyn-street, St. James, Bath, accountant	250
Whiffers, Henry - - -	High-street, Deptford, Kent - - contractor	150
West, James - - -	Clayton-place, Kennington, Surrey, gentleman	900
Wetenhall, John - - -	Walcott-place, Lambeth, Surrey - gentleman	2,000
Wilkinson, Edward - -	Point-house, Blackheath, Kent - gentleman	4,000
White, Bartholomew - -	Bermondsey, Surrey - - - - gentleman	3,500
Wiley, John - - -	19, Fenchurch-street, London - merchant	250
Willson, Robert - - -	27, Gracechurch-street, London - gentleman	6,000
Yates, John - - -	Stroud, Kent - - - - - - gentleman	20,000
Yeakell, Thomas - - -	- - 9, Pownall-terrace, Middlesex, surveyor and engineer	9,500
Young, Edward - - -	White Lion-court, Cornhill, London, solicitor	500
Persons - - 539	TOTAL - - - £.	1,579,050

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KENT RAILWAY

ANALYSIS of SUBSCRIBERS of given Amounts of Money.

No. 4. Kent Railway: Analysis of Subscribers of given Amounts

Folio.	NAME.	ADDRESS.		Amount.
	AMOUNTS exceeding £. 20,000 :—			£.
5	John Brothers - -	Norwood Lodge, Surrey - -	£. 20,000	
10	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	25,000	
				45,000
5	John Twells - - -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	20,000	
9	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	7,500	
				27,500
5	George Walter - -	East Dulwich - - -	20,000	
10	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	13,000	
				33,000
11	Frederick Brome - -	Woolwich, Kent - - - - -		35,250
17	William Austin - -	37, Chancery-lane - - - - -		25,000
–	Thomas Samuel Nevill -	35, Mansell-street, Goodman's-fields -		25,000
–	George Price - - -	Rose-place, Mile-end - - - -		25,000
11	William Chaplin - -	Sudbourn, Suffolk - - -	5,000	
24	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	20,000	
				25,000
	8 Names - -	Amount - - - £.		240,750
	Above £. 15,000, and not exceeding £. 20,000 :—			
5	Charles Perkins - -	Southend, Kent - - - - -		20,000
–	Thomas Phillpotts - -	3, Park-street, Westminster - - -		0,000
–	Rowan Ronald - -	20, Upper Berkeley-street - -		20,000
–	Henry Short - - -	45, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park - -		20,000
–	John Yates - - -	Stroud, Kent - - - - - - -		20,000
–	Thomas Lamie Murray -	38, Hill-street, Berkeley-square - -		20,000
13	Herbert Hardie - -	Manchester - - - - - -		16,900
	7 Names - - -	Amount - - - £.		136,900
	Above £. 10,000, and not exceeding £. 15,000 :—			
5	George Money - -	Mivart's Hotel, Brook-street - - -		10,250
6	Alfred Bayley -	Stock Exchange - - - - -		14,400
8	Henry Short - - -	Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park - - -		10,500
11	Thomas Blake - -	Doctors' Commons - - - - -		14,000
15	Joseph Timmis - -	Birmingham - - - - - -		15,000
17	Effingham Wilson - -	3, South-street, Finsbury - - -		10,200
–	Thomas Hathway - -	Albany-road, Camberwell - - -		10,400
–	William Andrews - -	Dulwich, Surrey - - - - -		12,500
18	James John Brown - -	Peckham, Surrey - - - - -		10,250
–	James Wetenhall - -	25, Chester-place, Kennington - -		12,250
–	Henry Rowley - -	18, Savage-gardens, London - - -		10,500
–	Simon Barend - -	25, Russell-street, Bedford-square - -		12,500
19	William Hatchwell -	38, Wilson-street, Finsbury - - -		12,500
24	Edmund Charles Holland	33, Sackville-street, Westminster - -		12,000
–	Amelia Hamond - -	Hawley-square, Margate, Kent - -		11,050
20	Robert Wilson - -	27, Gracechurch-street - -	£. 5,000	
24	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	6,000	
				11,000
	16 Names - - -	Amount - - £.		189,300

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Folio.	NAME.	ADDRESS.		Amount.
	Above £. 8,000, and not exceeding £. 10,000 :—			£.
5	William Borradaile -	Balham, Surrey - - - - -		10,000
–	Joseph Marcus A. Skerrett	Knockholt House, Kent - - - -		10,000
–	Robert Page - - -	Upper Seymour-street, Portman-square -		10,000
–	William Augustus Parsons	Southam, Warwick - - - -		9,750
18	William Watson - -	12, Cooper's-row, Crutched-friars - -		9,500
–	Charles James Thick -	Felix-place, Islington - - - -		10,000
–	Joseph Hurst - - -	2, Sherborne-lane - - - - -		9,500
–	Lewis Lillelendenson -	59, King-street, Soho - - - -		8,500
–	Richard Spencer - -	27, Baldwin-street, Middlesex - - -		9,500
19	Thomas Yeakell - -	9, Pownall-terrace, Middlesex - - -		9,500
–	Thomas Thompson - -	5, Scot's-place, Islington - - -		10,000
–	Richard Nicholson - -	24, Gibson-street, Middlesex - - -		9,350
–	John Brown - - -	33, Gerrard-street, Soho - - - -		9,500
–	Michael Jacobs - -	9, Glo'ster-street, Middlesex - - -		9,500
–	William Townsend - -	17, Cullum-street, London - - -		8,500
–	John Smyth - - -	30, Castle-street, Middlesex - - -		9,500
–	George Inall - - -	Islington, Middlesex - - - -		10,000
20	Henry Cooke - - -	8, Hounsditch, London - - - -		9,500
24	William Howard Short -	20, Guildford-street, Russell-square - -		10,000
–	John Rees Howell - -	Bucklersbury, London - - - -		10,000
–	John H. Anderson - -	3, Cloak-lane, City, London - - -		8,500
12	William Mills - -	17, Austin-friars - - -	£. 5,000	
22	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	4,500	
				9,500
–	Alex. Henry Smith -	43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park - -		10,000
	23 Names - - -	Amount - - -	£.	220,100
	Above £. 7,000, and not exceeding £. 8,000 :—			
7	Thomas William Bell -	Cumberland-street, Portman-square - -		8,000
8	Thomas Rake - -	Duke-street, Southwark - - - -		7,500
14	William Sprent - -	Chester - - - - - - -		7,500
18	Jacob Castello - -	11, Beaumont-street, Middlesex	£. 7,500	
6	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	500	
				8,000
18	Mark Rothschild - -	72, Britannia-terrace, Middlesex - -		7,500
19	James A. H. Grubbe -	9, Alban-terrace, Kensington - - -		7,500
23	Frederick George Hamond	Greenwich, Kent - - - - -		7,500
–	John Garth - - -	Battersea, Surrey - - - - -		7,500
23	Robert Marsden - -	75, Margaret-st., Cavendish-sq. -	£. 5,200	
17	- Ditto - - -	- ditto - - - - -	3,500	
				8,700
	9 Names - - -	Amount - - -	£.	69,700
	Above £. 6,000, and not exceeding £. 7,000 :—			
6	Thomas Godwin - -	Angel-court, London - - - -		6,650
–	Charles Vane Clark -	Angel-court, London - - - -		7,000
9	Henry W. Masterton -	14, Highbury-park, Middlesex - -		7,000
19	Antoine Glozier - -	52, Fenchurch-street, London - - -		6,500
20	Mathias Attwood - -	27, Gracechurch-street, London - -		6,500
–	Newcombe Francis -	6, Doncaster-place, Middlesex - -		6,500
	6 Names - - -	Amount - - -	£.	40,150
	Above £. 5,000, and not exceeding £. 6,000 :—			
5	Peter Warburton - -	9, New Church-street, Bermondsey - -		6,000
9	John Fielden - - -	51, Paddington-street, Middlesex - -		5,750
15	James Harwood - -	Birmingham - - - - - -		6,000
17	Charles Frederick Hamond	Blackheath, Kent - - - - -		5,100
–	Richard Ireland - -	Canonbury, Islington - - - -		5,400
–	Effingham Wilson, jun. -	14, Finsbury-circus - - -		5,500
–	Richard Ireland, jun. -	Canonbury, Islington - - - -		5,100
–	Jane Green - - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -		5,250

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Folio.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	Amount.
			£.
18	Richard Lee - - -	1, Bartholomew-lane, London - - -	5,500
19	Gorman Issett - -	55, Glo'ster-street, Bloomsbury - -	5,500
–	William Samuel Johnson	30, Cowper-street, City-road - - -	5,500
–	Aaron Nunez - - -	1, Jewry-street, Middlesex - - -	5,500
23	Alfred Herapath - -	Bristol - - - - - - - -	5,250
–	John Hooper - - -	Kennington, Surrey - - - -	5,750
24	Maria Herapath - -	Kensington, Middlesex - - - -	5,250
–	Philip Champ - -	7, Retreat-place, Hackney - - -	5,100
–	William John Chapman -	Seymour-place, Euston-square - - -	6,000
–	Green Julia - - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -	5,250
	18 Names - - -	Amount - - - £.	98,700
	Above £.4,000, and not exceeding £.5,000:—		
6	Thomas Henry Nimmo -	Victoria-place, Walworth - - -	4,500
8	Frederick Goode - -	Surrey-street, Strand - - - -	4,400
9	Edward Richards - -	11, Haymarket, Middlesex - - -	4,250
10	Lewis Herop Haslewood -	10, Little Stanhope-street, May-fair - -	5,000
–	John Aylwin - - -	90, Lower Thames-street - - - -	5,000
11	Richard Quarrell - -	Oxford House, Cheltenham - - -	5,000
–	George Bayley - -	Stock Exchange - - - - -	4,750
–	William Mayne - -	15, Bishopsgate-street - - - -	5,000
–	Chamberlain W. Robinson	21, Surrey Grove, New Kent-road - -	5,000
–	Hodges Edmund - -	Ramsgate, Kent - - - - -	5,000
13	William Cowan - -	Liverpool - - - - - -	5,000
14	Richard Gough - -	Chester - - - - - - -	5,000
16	Justinian Nutt - -	Gloucester - - - - - -	5,000
–	William Johnson - -	Bristol - - - - - - -	4,400
–	William J. Goodeve -	Mall, Clifton, Bristol - - - -	4,250
–	Frederick W. Green -	Bristol - - - - - - -	4,250
17	Eliza Willans - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -	4,500
–	George Stephens - -	Basinghall-street, London - - -	5,000
–	James Kennaby - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -	5,000
19	William Lumley - -	158, Ratcliffe-highway - - - -	4,500
–	Moses Ansell - - -	74, Leman-street - - - - -	4,500
–	Solomon Burragueen -	2, Woburn-buildings - - - -	4,500
20	Harry Tyrrell Watkins -	7, Chapel-street, Grosvenor-square - -	4,500
22	William Stephenson -	Grosvenor-place, Camberwell - - -	5,000
–	Robert Sutton, jun. -	Stock Exchange - - - - -	5,000
23	Charles Freeling Reeves -	General Post-office, Glasgow - - -	4,500
–	Thomas Deare - -	Northampton-street, Islington - - -	5,000
24	Thomas Clark - -	8, Canonbury, Islington - - - -	5,000
–	Spenser Herapath - -	Kensington, Middlesex - - - -	5,000
–	Edward Hicks Fielder -	Crosby-hall Chambers - - - -	4,750
–	Hall William - - -	83, London-road, Southwark - - -	4,850
	31 Names - - -	Amount - - - £.	147,400
	Above £.3,000, and not exceeding £.4,000:—		
6	Solomon Almosnino -	11, Bevis Marks - - - - -	4,000
7	Simeon John Boileau -	Southampton-buildings - - - -	3,500
–	James Cadet - - -	Great Portland-street - - - -	3,750
8	James Clarke - - -	Kingsland-road - - - - -	3,500
9	George King - - -	Farnborough, Warwickshire - - -	3,750
12	William Henry Castlewood	3, Warnford-court - - - -	3,250
14	Enoch Gerrard - -	Chester - - - - - - -	3,750
15	Thomas Harris - -	Liverpool - - - - - -	3,100
–	Samuel Kempson - -	Birmingham - - - - - -	3,400
–	John Green - - -	- ditto - - - - - - -	3,750
16	The Rev. Samuel Lloyd -	Nailsworth - - - - - -	4,000
17	Samuel Noble - -	Woolwich, Kent - - - - -	3,500
–	John Webb - - -	Dartford - ditto - - - - -	3,250
–	Virginia Green - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -	4,000
18	James Clarke - - -	118, Tyson-place, Kingsland-road - -	3,550
–	John Davies - - -	Carter-place, Walworth - - - -	3,550
19	Joseph Simeon Barzerber	3, Cummin-street, Wapping - - -	3,500
20	William Clarke - -	Seymour-street, Middlesex - - -	3,750

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Folio.	NAME.	ADDRESS.		Amount.
				£.
21	William Hall - -	Mount Nodd Cottage, Streatham	£. 2,750	
22	- Ditto - - -	- - ditto - - -	300	
				3,050
21	James Watson - -	Alderman's-walk, London - - -		4,000
23	Edward Wilkinson - -	Point House, Blackheath, Kent - -		4,000
–	Bartholomew White -	Bermondsey - - - - - -		3,500
–	John Jansten - - -	Mile-end, Middlesex - - - -		3,500
24	William Stephen - -	Wardrobe-terrace, Blackfriars - -		3,500
–	William Hammond -	27, Lombard-street - - - - -		4,000
	25 Names - - -	Amount - - - £.		90,400
	Above £. 2,000 and not exceeding £. 3,000 :—			
5	Charlotte Fayle - -	16, Aldermanbury - - - - -		2,500
6	Geo. P. Phillipe - -	9, Gray's-Inn-square - - - -		2,500
–	Richard Rose - - -	41 and 42, Dover-street, Westminster -		2,500
7	Frances Shipton - -	Ely-place, Holborn - - - - -		3,000
–	William Read - -	Junior United Service Club - - -		2,500
9	Edward A. De Grave -	Sutton Common, Surrey - - - -		2,250
–	Henry Tucker - -	30, Regent-street, Middlesex - - -		3,000
10	John Edward Lane -	Great Berkhampstead - - - -		2,500
–	Joseph A. De Reimer -	17, King-street, Portman-square - -		2,500
11	Alfred Cutting - -	Stock Exchange - - - - -		2,500
12	Charles Hopkinson - -	Fenton's Hotel, St. James's-street - -		2,500
13	Abraham Franklin - -	Manchester - - - - - -		2,250
14	John Uniacke - -	Chester - - - - - - -		2,500
–	John Paling - - -	ditto - - - - - - -		2,500
15	Thomas Clarke, jun. -	Birmingham - - - - - -		2,500
–	Ebenezer Timmis - -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,250
16	Robert Southall - -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,650
–	Robert Hawkins Hellings	Bath - - - - - - -		3,000
–	Francis Holliday - -	3, Montague-parade, Bristol - - -		2,250
–	Odiarne Coates Lane -	Clive-place, Clifton, ditto - - -		2,500
–	Emanuel Waite - -	Avon-street, Bristol - - - -		2,500
–	James Low - - -	Bristol - - - - - - -		2,500
17	Silas Dibsdale - -	ditto - - - - - - -		2,500
–	Thomas Samuel Burt -	Woolwich, Kent - - - - -		2,500
–	William Nokes, solicitor -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,500
–	Edward Dell - - -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,100
–	Robt. Hendrek Goddard -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,200
–	William Thunder - -	- ditto - - - - - - -		2,100
–	James Chipchase - -	Dartford, Kent - - - - -		3,000
18	William Decharms - -	Stockwell, Surrey - - - - -		2,500
–	Benjamin Wheeler Poulton	Hounslow - - - - - -		2,500
19	Jacob Burragueen - -	8, King-street, Aldgate - - - -		2,500
–	William Dorrington -	Kennington - - - - - -		2,500
20	John Milverton - -	17, Wellesley-street, Euston-square - -		2,500
21	William Adam - -	Chigwell, Essex - - - - -		2,250
–	William Thompson -	Surrey-grove, Kent-road, Kent - -		2,800
–	Ralph Culshaw - -	Nottingham-place, Middlesex - - -		2,500
22	John Roger Arnold -	Chigwell, Essex - - - -		2,250
23	John Gardner - -	Walworth, Surrey - - - - -		3,000
–	John Yonge Akerman -	Peckham - ditto - - - - -		2,500
–	Adolphus Pugh Johnson -	Lloyd's Coffee-house - - - -		2,500
–	Frederick Syrett - -	New Kent-road, Kent - - - -		3,000
24	John Hammond - -	27, Lombard-street - - - - -		3,000
–	John Turner Houston -	Brighton-place, Brixton - - - -		2,250
	Beelby Robson - -	Birmingham - - - -	1,500	
	Ditto - - - -	- ditto - - - - - -	500	
	Ditto - - - -	- ditto - - - - - -	250	
				2,250
	45 Names - - -	Amount - - - £.		113,350

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Folio.	NAME.	Amount.
	Above £.1,000 and not exceeding £.2,000 :—	£.
5	Stock, John Redway	1,600
–	Atwood, Algernon	1,250
–	Lindo, Elias Haim	2,000
–	Grantham, Mary	2,000
–	Byrn, James	1,250
–	Clifford, Charles	1,500
6	Warwick, Bright	1,250
–	Wrighton, James	1,750
–	Wylie, Robert Crichton	1,250
–	Rist, William	2,000
–	Stevenson, Wm. Sharpe	1,750
–	Griffith, Robert	1,500
7	Kennelly, Davis	1,250
–	Griffiths, Wm. Tomlin	2,000
–	Weston, Jos. Samuel	1,250
–	Preston, Charles Cooper	1,500
–	Sedgewick, Thomas Lond	1,250
8	Necton, George	2,000
–	Collins, Charles Frederick	1,250
10	Powell, Alexander	1,250
–	Browne, Frederick John	1,750
–	Woollett, Joseph	1,250
11	Bishop, William Percy	1,500
–	Pitfield, William	1,500
–	Cape, Jonathan	1,500
–	Rowe, John	1,500
12	Ireland, John	2,000
13	Nichol, Anthony	1,750
–	Stock, William	1,250
14	Clemison, John	1,250
–	Hassop, William	1,250
–	De Medina, Henry	1,650
–	Cross, William	1,250
–	Newcombe, John	1,250
–	Hignett, John	1,250
–	Adams, John	1,250
–	Wilson, Robert	1,400
–	Lucas, Henry	1,250
15	Simcox, Thomas	1,750
–	Mucklow, Thomas	2,000
–	Langley, Thomas	1,900
16	Wade, John	1,750
–	Ashwin, James	1,500
–	Barwell, John	1,500
–	Stokes, James	1,250
–	Lediard, Thomas	1,250
–	Fry, Zephaniah	1,500
17	Beard, R. Rogers Worthn	1,500
–	Grant, Francis Bazett	2,000
20	Ladd, Edward Nicholas	2,000
–	Russell, John H. Cromwell	1,650
21	Manson, David	1,250
–	Smith, Robert	1,500
–	Downes, Charles	2,000
22	Haynes, William	1,250
–	Blackmore, Richard	2,000
–	De Salis, William Farre	1,250
–	Chapman, William	1,750
–	Alger, Owen Tickell	1,500
23	May, William	1,250
–	Cook, Henry	2,000
–	Wetenhall, John	2,000
24	Peters, William	1,500
–	Houghton, Charles {750 *l.* / 500 *l.*}	1,250
	Names 64 £.	98,700

Folio.	NAME.	Amount.
	Above £.500 and not exceeding £.1,000.	£.
5	Rickman, Henry Neave	750
–	Taylor, Silas Bodger	900
6	Warburton, Arthur	1,000
–	Barnett, Henry	750
–	Wade, John	1,000
–	Madgwick, Edward	1,000
–	Almosnino, Moses	1,000
7	Dodgson, Wm. Oliver	750
–	Valpy, Abraham John	1,000
–	Lewis, Geo. Wenham	600
8	Felton, James	1,000
–	Beaver, John Holt	1,000
–	Davis, William	1,000
–	Nicol, John	650
–	Foreman, William Henry	750
–	Drowater, Augustus Charles	1,000
9	Bassett, George	750
–	Friend, John	750
–	Radcliffe, George	750
–	Webb, George Dudley	1,000
–	Nicholson, John	750
–	Shaw, John Wyberg	1,000
–	Mills, Alfred	1,000
–	Anderson, Jas. Spottiswoode	750
–	Stone, Samuel	750
10	Strange, John	750
–	Habgood, Thomas	900
–	Jardine, Samuel George	1,000
–	Willink, Daniel	1,000
11	Cruden, Robert Peirce	650
12	Laud, William Henry	750
13	Smith, William Alexander	750
–	Buggelin, Richard	1,000
–	Lightfoot, Thomas	750
–	Rose, James	1,000
–	Lingo, Walter	1,000
–	Carruthers, George	750
–	Hall, John	1,000
–	Foxcroft, Henry	750
–	Dewhurst, Thomas	1,000
14	Williams, Wm.	1,000
–	Stewart, Thomas	1,000
–	Head, John	750
–	Jackson, Robert	1,000
15	Willink, W. Williamson	1,000
–	Cooke, John	650
–	Holmes, Edward	1,000
–	Short, Sarah Jane	1,000
–	Bernard, Eliza	650
–	Pemberton, Edwin	750
16	Warden, John	650
–	Smith, Joseph	750
–	Jackson, Wm.	1,000
17	Smith, Wm.	1,000
–	Dunkin, John	1,000
19	Wright, William	800
–	Swonnell, William	750
–	Donaldson, Hugh Douglass	1,000
20	Wheeler, Gervase	1,000
–	Preston, Chas. Cooper	1,000
–	Jeeves, Thomas	1,000
–	Dawson, Thomas	1,000
21	Brown, John	750
22	Manley, William	750
–	Johnson, Samuel	750

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Folio.	NAME.	Amount.
		£.
22	Legge, Wm. George -	1,000
23	West, James - - -	900
19	Simpson, John - - 500	
22	Ditto - - - 250	
		750
23	Martin, Thomas - -	750
–	Phazazyn, Charles John -	1,000
–	Smith, Alexander Henry -	1,000
24	Beldin, James - - -	1,000
–	Nott, Susan - - -	1,000
–	Vernon, George - -	750
–	Charles W. Everett - -	1,000
–	Munden Hammond - -	1,500
–	Edmonds, William - -	800
	Names, 77 - - - £.	68,150
	Not exceeding £. 500 :—	
5	Andrew Reynolds - -	250
–	John Parnell - - -	500
–	George Emerson - -	250
6	W. Burton - - -	250
–	C. Miller - - -	500
–	L. Ratton - - -	500
–	J. Brown - - -	250
–	Thomas Dunman - -	500
–	J. Sanguin - - -	250
–	C. J. Wallen - - -	250
–	Thomas Rule - - -	250
–	John Reeve - - -	500
–	R. D. Mitchell - -	250
–	J. C. Musgrave - -	250
–	J. Morgan - - -	250
–	W. A. Piercy - - -	500
–	Charles Hitch - - -	250
–	E. Clowston - - -	500
–	H. C. Bose - - -	300
7	J. Euston - - -	500
–	J. M'All - - - -	250
–	R. H. Giraud - - -	400
–	S. Andrews - - -	200
–	J. S. Pidgeon - - -	250
–	P. H. Stocken - - -	250
–	G. Taylor - - -	400
–	A. J. W. Lyon - -	250
–	M. H. Miller - - -	250
–	B. Cope - - - -	250
–	W. Charrington - -	500
–	R. S. Amour - - -	500
8	A. Froom - - -	250
–	J. Wait - - - -	150
–	Charles Brand - -	500
–	Thomas Geeves - -	250
–	G. Brooks - - -	150
–	J. Smith - - - -	250
–	S. A. Moon - - -	150
–	R. Wood - - - -	250
–	W. J. G. Dilworth - -	500
–	G. F. West - - -	500
9	C. Presbury - - -	500
–	L. Guishard - - -	150
–	William Elliott - -	150
–	W. C. Beloe - - -	150
–	James Brown - - - -	250
–	J. Bolton - - -	500
–	J. W. Hamilton - -	250
–	R. Gunter - - -	150
–	R. Wedgwood, jun. - -	500

Folio.	NAME.	Amount.
		£.
9	J. R. Ogden - - -	250
–	Thomas Edwards - -	250
10	John Clarke - - -	250
–	George Faith - - -	250
–	R. Newton - - -	150
–	James Clarke - - -	250
–	J. Birkenhead - - -	250
–	H. Mackenzie - - -	150
–	Joseph Clayton - -	500
–	J. L. Farrow - - -	250
–	A. F. Mackintosh - -	500
–	Robert Dobinson - -	150
–	J. Lainchbury - - -	250
–	Joseph Hannah - -	500
–	Gilbert Ansley - -	250
–	R. H. White - - -	500
–	James Marsh - - -	250
11	Edward Penrhyn - -	250
–	W. A. Burr - - -	500
–	John Baker - - -	500
–	Charles Dowsler - -	250
–	James Harris - - -	250
–	E. B. Brown - - -	250
–	Joseph Hill - - -	250
–	Alexander Watt - -	500
–	Francis Ormond - -	300
–	John W. Scott - - -	250
–	P. Hall Palmer - -	500
–	William Goodwin - -	500
12	Thomas Grundy - -	250
–	Mary A. Cummins - -	250
–	F. H. Smith - - -	250
–	Elias Whittle - - -	250
–	Edward Anstell - -	250
–	John Harman - - -	500
13	Samuel Taylor - - -	150
–	Francis Kelly - - -	250
–	Robert M'Neill - -	500
–	Robert Marshall - -	500
–	James Crawford - -	250
–	Joseph Williamson - -	250
–	Joseph Humphreys - -	150
–	John Richardson, jun. -	250
–	William Brocklebank -	250
–	Frederick Koing - -	250
–	George Bowring - -	400
–	John Higson - - -	250
–	John Smith - - -	400
–	John Drakeford - -	500
–	Nicholas Gerwan - -	500
–	William Long - - -	250
–	Joseph Wilson - - -	250
–	John Pickering - -	250
–	John Parry - - -	250
–	Thomas Neild - - -	250
–	John Swallow - - -	250
–	Samuel Preston - -	250
14	Thomas Eastwood - -	500
–	George Ward - - -	250
–	George A. Franks - -	250
–	Abel Foulkes - - -	150
–	James Belfour - - -	500
–	E. W. Lloyd - - -	500
–	William Harling - -	500
–	John Scholefield - -	250
–	Eliz. C. Irlam - - -	250
–	John Irlam - - -	250
–	Betty Irlam - - -	150
–	Edward Byford - -	250

N. 4.
Kent Railway: Analysis of Subscribers of given Amounts.

Folio.	NAME.	Amount.	Folio.	NAME.	Amount.
		£.			£.
14	Eaton Hall - - -	250	20	Robert Coulson - -	50
–	William Brown - -	250	–	William Foster - -	250
–	Richard Townsend - -	150	–	John R. Jourdan - -	500
–	William Peppett - -	250	–	William Adams - -	250
–	William Twining - -	500	–	Martin Bird - - -	250
–	Thomas Wilding - -	250	–	Pettus Harman - -	500
–	William Critchley - -	250	–	John Bright - - -	500
15	Richard Crewe - -	500	21	Richard Lane - - -	250
–	Thomas Dunnington -	500	–	Thomas Watson - -	150
–	John Thornhill - -	150	–	William Stokes - -	200
–	William Scholfield - -	250	–	John Parker - - -	400
–	Rupert Holmes - -	500	–	Isaac Perritt - - -	150
–	Alfred Lawden - -	150	–	Charles Griffith - -	500
–	Josiah Emes - - -	500	–	William Coulton - -	500
–	Richard Blood - - -	400	–	Charles Bond - - -	250
–	James Drake - - -	150	–	William Wilders - -	250
–	John Rodway Stock - -	50	–	Elias Parry - - -	400
–	Thomas A. Haines - -	500	–	H. F. Letchworth - -	250
–	Thomas Toney - -	250	–	George Thomas - -	250
–	Benjamin Shipway - -	250	–	Samuel Sharp - - -	150
–	Edward Cope - - -	250	–	Thomas F. Snow - -	250
–	Walter Blount - -	250	–	William Webb - - -	250
–	William Moxon - -	250	–	Daniel Cork - - -	150
–	John Hurford - - -	250	–	Shuttleworth Bryant -	500
16	William M. Shillotul -	250	22	James Kains - - -	50
–	Peter Kenway - - -	250	–	Thomas James - - -	250
–	William Loch - - -	150	–	B. G. Maltby - - -	250
–	Henry C. Boisregan - -	500	–	George Robertson - -	250
–	William Fox - - -	250	–	George Ansell - - -	250
–	Nathaniel Lloyd - -	400	–	John Dennis - - -	250
–	Henry Harris - - -	400	–	Edward Young - -	500
–	Eliz. F. Beadle - -	250	–	W. W. Howard - -	500
–	Collard Rolla Habakkuk -	100	–	Richard Taylor - -	250
–	John Wansburgh - -	150	–	George R. Minshull - -	150
–	William Witchell - -	500	–	Edwin Vandergucht - -	500
–	Wm. G. Cossins - -	250	–	Thomas Hopson - -	150
17	Edward Shewell - -	500	23	Vernon Frankhead - -	250
–	George Cooper - - -	250	–	Samuel Carr - - -	250
19	George Broad - - -	500	–	John Alpe - - -	500
–	John Atkins - - -	500	–	Thomas Roy - - -	500
–	George Waugh - -	500	–	Edward Cuell - - -	500
20	Thomas F. Evans - -	250	–	Dunkin Alfred - -	500
–	James Bousfield - -	400	–	John Wiley - - -	250
–	Henry Whiffers - -	150	–	Irlam Betty - - -	150
–	John Wilson - - -	250			
–	John Dunn - - -	250		Names, 210 - - - £.	65,450
–	John Gregson - - -	500			

	——	Persons.
	£.	
Exceeding 20,000 *l.* - - - - - -	240,750	8
Above 15,000 *l.* not exceeding 20,000 *l.* -	136,900	7
Above 10,000 *l.*, not exceeding 15,000 *l.* - - -	189,300	16
Above 8,000 *l.*, not exceeding 10,000 *l.* -	220,100	23
Above 7,000 *l.*, not exceeding 8,000 *l.* - - - -	69,700	9
Above 6,000 *l.*, not exceeding 7,000 *l.* - - - -	40,150	6
Above 5,000 *l.*, not exceeding 6,000 *l.* - - - -	98,700	18
Above 4,000 *l.*, not exceeding 5,000 *l.* - - - -	147,400	31
Above 3,000 *l.*, not exceeding 4,000 *l.* - - - -	90,400	25
Above 2,000 *l.*, not exceeding 3,000 *l.* - - - -	113,350	45
Above 1,000 *l.*, not exceeding 2,000 *l.* - - - -	98,700	64
Above 500 *l.* not exceeding 1,000 *l.* - - - -	68,150	77
Not exceeding 500 *l.* - - - - - - - -	65,450	210
£.	1,579,050	539

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No. 5.
List of Shareholders in the Gravesend, Dover and Kent Railways.

GRAVESEND, DOVER AND KENT RAILWAY COMPANIES.

List of Subscribers, showing the Individuals having Shares in the two former Companies who are Shareholders in the Kent Railway Company.

NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Attwell, James	Kingsland-road	gent.	100		
Attwood, Matthias	27, Gracechurch-street	banker	4,000	10,000	6,500
Alder, Ealand	Grosvenor-place	gent.	400		
Aguilar, David	Wickham-place, Clapton	ditto	200		
Allen, Joseph	14, Upper Glo'ster-place, Dorset-square.	ditto	1,000		
ditto	ditto	ditto	200		
Ashley, Henry	3, Suffolk-lane	ditto	200		
Allen, Mundeford	Chigwell-row, Essex	ditto	1,800		
Anstead, Edward	36, Gutter-lane	ditto	200	- -	250
Alexander, Israel	Finsbury Repository, Chiswell-street.	auctioneer	600		
Allen, Hollier	23, Threadneedle-street	gent.	200		
Allcock, Samuel	High-street, Walsall	hatter	100		
Annichim, Pompey	28, Commercial Sale-rooms	agent	400		
Andrews, Samuel	17, Upper York-street, Bryanstone-square.	grocer	160	- -	200
Atkinson, Hesileige	4, Skinner's-place, Size-lane	gent.	60		
Allen, Matthew	High Beech, Essex	ditto	1,000		
Allenson, Henry	31, Castle-st., Holborn	silversmith	200		
Allen, Thos. Septimus	Lewisham, Kent	gent.	500		
Adams, Edmonds	Queen's-row, Walworth	ditto	600		
Arnold, Robt. Coals	Gravesend	coal merchant	400		
Anderson, Peter	19, Chester-pl. Kennington	gent.	600		
Alfred, P. p. C. Smith	Liverpool	merchant	600		
Allanson, Henry	31, Castle-st., Holborn	silversmith	1,100		
Allender, George	135, High-st. Whitechapel	surgeon	100		
Adams, William	Chigwell, Essex	- - -	1,800	- -	2,250
Akerman, John, proc. H. H. Horneman.	Marlborough-road, Old Kent-road.	gent.	500		
Akerman, John, proc. H. Horneman.	Peckham, Surrey	ditto	1,400	11,250	2,500
Axon, Chas. p. p. Herbert Hardie.	Manchester	manufacturer	500		
Arnold, John Roger	Chigwell, Essex	gent.	1,800	- -	2,250
Atkinson, Wm. proc. James Savell.	Manchester	ditto	100		
Atkinson, Wm. p. p. Wm. A. Smith.	Liverpool	ditto	600		
Brothers, John	Leamington, Warwickshire	Lieut. R. N.	7,000	5,000	45,000
ditto	ditto	ditto	7,000		
Borradaile, William	Balham, Surrey	merchant	7,000	- -	10,000
Boileau, Jno. Peter, jun.	20, Upper Brook-street	esquire	6,000		
Boileau, S. J.	16, Southampton-buildings	ditto	6,000	15,000	3,500
Burnand, Lewis, jun.	Church-st. Stoke-Newington	gent.	200		
Burnand, Francis	24, 'Change-alley	ditto	300		
Blair, James	Jerusalem Coffee-house	ditto	2,000		
Bamfield, Wm. Wright	J. U. S. Club-house	major unattachd.	400		
Balbirnie, John	17, Cumming-st. Pentonville	gent.	300		
Black, John	9, Crescent Cottages, Hackn.	clerk	600		
Baker, John Clarke	280, Oxford-street	cheesemonger	400	- -	500
Barton, Jonathan	Hampstead	gent.	200		
Bleaden, James Breach, James Guly & Batho, Wm. Potts	London Tavern	tavern-keepers	300		
Barnes, William Thos.	31, St. Mary-at-Hill	ship broker	200		
Britain, Timothy Fred.	4, Finch-lane	broker	300		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Bailey, John	28, Commercial Sale Rooms	broker	600		
Black, John	9, Crescent Cottages, Hackn.	clerk	1,000		
Brandon, Edward	37, Fenchurch-street	merchant	200		
Beddome, Samuel	Cocket Office, Mansion-ho.	common crier	400		
Boucher, Charles	7, West-square	gent.	400		
Beaumont, John	7, Northampton-square	merchant	100		
Brothers, John	Cornhill	lieut. R. N.	3,000		
Bartholomew, Edward	Shoreditch	gent.	400		
Blackmore, Richard	Bonners-hall, Hackney	ditto	200	- -	2,00
Blunt, John	London Dock House	ditto	1,000		
Bird, William	3, Greville-st. Hatton-gdn.	tailor	200		
Birdsey, William	1, St. Michael's-alley, Cornhill.	clerk	600	1,500	
Bailey, Thomas	Kennington, Surrey	gent.	400		
Barry, Nathaniel	Umberson-pl. Comml.-rd.	ditto	500		
Buckland, Henry	10, Catherine-ct. Tower-hill	merchant	700		
Brookman, John	10, Berners-st., Oxford-st.	gent.	100	250	
Blake, George John	52, Tower-street	merchant	100	500	
Brown, James	2, Cumberland-pl. New-rd.	Mary-le-bone	200	- -	2
Borocant, James	Carter-st., Camberwell	- - -	400		
Blanckenhagen, John Christopher.	15, Great St. Helens	wine merchant	400		
Bose, Herman Christopher.	Virginia Coffee-house	gent.	40	250	300
Birdseye, William	1, St. Michael's-al. Cornh.	clerk	400		
Broomhall, William	Union-st., Birmingham	stationer	200		
Beilby, Robson	Colmore-row, Birmingham	agent	600		
Blood, Richard	Wadesworth, nr. Birmingh.	merchant	300	- -	400
Beilby, Thos. Nelson	Birmingham	button maker	400		
Bielby, Robson	Colmore-row, Birmingham	agent	200	3,000	2,250
Barwell, John	Birmingham	dealer in metal	700	- -	1,500
Buckton, Thomas	ditto	banker's clerk	200		
Blount, Walter	ditto	attorney	200	- -	250
Buckley, William	Ashton-under-Line	solicitor	1,700		
Booth, Jonathan	Manchester	ditto	200		
Bold, Thomas	Liverpool	ship broker	600		
Byrne, James	ditto	merchant	1,000	- -	1,250
Bowring, George	ditto	artist	300	- -	400
Batly, George	ditto	broker	200		
Brand, Charles	Bath	lieut. R. N.	600		
Borradaile, Frederick	Clapham Common	clerk	1,000		
Borradaile, George	Barge-yard	merchant	2,000		
Barnes, William	3, Church-ct. Ironmonger-la.	architect	6,000		
Bostock, Henry James	Camberwell	gent.	2,000		
Brooks, Joseph	5, Berkeley-ct. Clerkenwell	ditto	300		
Barrett, Albert	Winterslow-place, Brixton	ditto	400		
Bird, William	Greville-st. Hatton-garden	factor	100		
Boucher, Frederick	18, Aldermanbury	gent.	200		
Boucher, George	39, King-street, Holborn	ditto	200		
Birdseye, William	St. Michael's-al. Cornhill	clerk	1,400	1,500	
Barnett, Robert	11, Birchin-lane	gent.	1,000		
Bradney, John H.	Charlton, Somerset	clerk	1,000		
Boyd, Benjamin	4, New Bank-buildings, Lothbury.	gent.	600		
Britten, Daniel, proc. Boyd, Benjamin.	27, Cateaton-street	ditto	500		
Bell, Thos. William	23, Cumberland-st. Portman-square.	stockbroker	500	- -	8,000
Belbernie, John	17, Cuming-st. Pentonville	gent.	300		
Bostock, H. J. proc. W. Valance.	Sittingbourne, Kent	ditto	200		
Bostock, H. J. proc. J. T. Valance.	ditto	ditto	200		
Borrer, John Hamlyn, proc. S. W. Barber, jun.	Brighton	ditto	100		
Bennett, Wm. Thos.	Gravesend	ditto	400		
Bostock, Henry James	Stock Exchange	ditto	3,000		
Bragg, John	6, Throgmorton-street	ditto	200		
Brady, John, proc. Jas. Waite.	14, Wood-st. Spitalfields	silkmanufacturer	100		
Buckle, John	Guildhall	gent.	100		
Bostock, H. J. proc. J. T. Valance.	Sittingbourne, Kent	ditto	200		
Cunliffe, Henry, proc. S. C. Hope.	Southampton	ditto	3,000		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Coulton, William	Surrey Canal-house	gent.	200	- -	500
Cohen, Andrew	4, Magdalen-row, Great Prescott-street.	merchant	400		
Chapman, James	Camberwell	gent.	300		
Cooper, George	Reading	chemist	200	- -	250
Clapham, Samuel S.	57, Wood-st. Cheapside	gent.	400		
Corry, William	Commercial-road	coal merchant	600		
Carr, Samuel	3, Upper Charles-st. Northampton-square.	gent.	400	- -	250
Calshaw, Ralph	Mark-lane	merchant	1,300	- -	2,500
Clifford, Edmund	Grosvenor-street	gent.	400		
Cutting, Alfred	Stock Exchange	ditto	500	- -	2,500
Cooke, Thomas, proc. of Charles Mann.	Liverpool	merchant	400		
Clarke, John Shering	5, Angel-court, Bank	gent.	200		
Coates Amos, proc. Wm. Williams, jun.	York	ditto	400		
Coulson, John, proc. Isaac Braithwaite.	Lancaster	ditto	400		
Carroll, Edward	Islington-row, Edgbaston	commissionagent	200		
Cope, Edward	3, Waterloo-st. Birmingham	solicitor	100	- -	250
Cooke, John	Manchester	calenderer	500	- -	650
Cavanagh, Ann	ditto	spinster	200		
Crawford, James	Liverpool	ship broker	100	- -	250
Critchley, William	ditto	broker	200	- -	250
Caruthers, George, proc. T. Travers.	Lancaster	druggist	200		
Chamberlain, Wm. R.	21, Surrey Grove, Kent-rd.	agent	500	500	5,000
Cadett, James	1, Chester-terra. Regent's-pk	M. D.	1,800	- -	3,750
Clement, John	Pulteney-st. Regent-street	stationer	200		
Clarke, James	Lansdown-place, Hackney	gent.	1,300		
Coulson, Robert	Whiskin-st. Clerkenwell	engraver	20	- -	50
Chalenor, John	3, Glasshouse-yard	messenger, guildhall	100		
Clark, William	Coventry	ribbon manufacturer.	200		
Cobb, John	Cobham-row, Clerkenwell	- - -	400		
Clark, Alfred Hines	8, George-st. Hackney	gent.	2,000		
Clapham, Samuel S.	57, Wood-st. Cheapside	ditto	800		
Collett, Wm. Rickford, proc. J. R. Jourdin.	19, Henrietta-st. Cavendish-square.	ditto	400		
Child, William, proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Salisbury Bank	esquire	100		
Cripps, Raymond, proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Cirencester	ditto	400		
Capper, Charles	4, Finsbury Circus	gent.	300		
Collison, Thomas	20, King's Arms-yard	clerk	500		
Clark, Messieurs, of Bristol, by George Padmore.	Stock Exchange	gent.	1,000		
Chowne, Wm. Dingle	14, Princes-st. Cavendish-square.	physician	400		
Chowne, John Alfred	ditto	gent.	300		
Curtis, Robert	King-square	ditto	100		
Collard, George	East India House	ditto	100		
Cooper, John	8, Artichoke-row, Mile-end	grocer	20		
Cruden, Robt. Pearce	Gravesend	gent.	400	- -	650
Clay, Charles Henry	Hare-hotel, Maidenhead	ditto	200		
Cohen, Richard	Stock Exchange	ditto	200		
Clarke, Charles Dane	ditto	ditto	100	- -	7,000
Camrow, Ferdinand Ferguson.	1, Clement's-lane	merchant	200		
Dodgson, Wm. Oliver	2, North Piazza, Royal Exc.	gent.	400	- -	750
Dansey, William	27, Gracechurch-street	ditto	500		
Dorrington, William	Stock Exchange	merchant	100	- -	2,500
De Grave, Edward A.	59, St. Martin's-le-grand	scale maker	1,000	- -	2,250
De Castro, Hanand	19, South-st. Finsbury-sq.	merchant	600		
Dalton, William	Little Abingdon-st, Westm.	coal merchant	400		
Davis, John Jyhurst, proc. J. Atkins.	9, Castle-alley	stock broker	1,000		
Domett, Nathaniel	10, George-yard	biscuit baker	600		
Darnton, Henry	Exchange Chambers	gent.	1,100		
Dowell, Charles	12, King-street, Cheapside	agent	300	1,000	
Douglas, N.	John Lauries, esquire	colonel	2,000		
Davies, James	66, Upper Thames-street	gent.	600		
Dornford, William	Suffolk-lane	ditto	200		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£
Dunman, Thos.	Stock Exchange	waiter	160	- -	500
Dobinson, Robert	9, Devonshire-place, Newington-green.	gent.	20		
De Symons	Brighton	ditto	200		
Davis, William	69, Pall-Mall	ditto	200	500	1,000
Dallaway, Thomas	131, New-st. Birmingham	banker's clerk	100		
Dallaway, John	ditto	maltster	100		
Drake, James	Birmingham	bookseller	100	- -	150
Drakeford, John	Manchester	silk broker	200	500	500
Dunnington, Thomas	Ardwick, near Manchester	solicitor	400	- -	500
Doncaster, George	Liverpool	merchant	800		
Dowson, Richard	ditto	ditto	2,100		
Davis, Joseph	Bristol	conveyancer	500		
Dewnman, Hugh H.	ditto	gent.	200		
Deare, Thomas	98, Guildford-street	ditto	700	12,500	5,000
Dornton, Henry	Exchange Chambers	agent	200		
Drew, James	Woolwich	gent.	200		
Dearing, R. O., proc. B. B. Williams.	Lockley's, Welwyn	esquire	500		
Dobinson, Robert	9, Devonshire-place, Newington-green.	gent.	100	- -	150
Donald, Wm. John	54, Myddleton-square	ditto	100		
Dunn, John	52, Great Tower-street	wine merchant	200	- -	250
Davis, John Similar	27, Gracechurch-street	gent.	300		
Dewhurst, Thomas, proc. Isaac Braithwaite.	Lancaster	merchant	100	- -	1,000
De Reimer, James Alexander.	17, King-st. Portman-sq.	gent	2,000	- -	2,500
Dibsdall, S.	14, Wood-st. Spitalfields	silk manufacturer.	100		
Dutton, Samuel	31, Ludgate-hill	hatter	400		
Drew, James	Woolwich	gent.	200		
Downes, John, p. p. Herbert Hardie.	Manchester	hat manufacturer.	1,500		
Dennis, J., p. p. J. S. Miles, jun.	Salisbury Bank	esquire	200		
Euston, John	10, Hart-st., Mark-lane	gent.	300	- -	500
Evill, William	51, Berners-street	soda water manufacturer.	400		
Ewart, David	87, Jermyn-street	gent.	1,200		
Eaton, George	18, Knightrider-street	engineer	400	2,500	
Edwards, Francis	Regent's-park	gent.	800	2,000	
Edmonds, Charles	'Change-alley	broker	1,000		
Edmonds, Henry, jun. proc. Henry F. Richardson.	7, Ironmonger-lane	solicitor	400		
Eilvart, Ferdinand	64, Seymour-street, Euston-square.	piano manufacturer.	400		
Eldred, Thomas	21, Fore-street	merchant	400		
Eldred, Edward	ditto	ditto	400		
Elliott, William	Whiskin-st., Clerkenwell	gent.	40	- -	150
Ellery, James	Manchester	plumber, &c.	100		
Evans, John	4, Princes-st., Soho	jeweller	100		
Eastwick, James, by Wm. Edmonds.	2, Philpot-lane	wine merchant	200		
Empson, Charlotte Elizabeth.	Constitution-row	spinster	60		
Eagle, William	Fort, Gravesend	gent.	400		
Elward, William	23, Great St. Helens	merchant	500		
Emerson, Arthur	Cold-harbour-lane	gent.	300		
Emes, Josiah	Birmingham	button maker	200		
Franco, Francis Moses	15, North-buildings, Finsbury.	merchant	600		
Favere, George	Augusta-place, Stockwell-Common.	gent.	100		
Fisher, Francis	3, Austin-friars	merchant	200		
Froom, Andrew	98, St. John-street-road	straw-hat manufacturer.	200	- -	250
Ferman, Wm. Henry	59, Great Prescott-street	gent.	140	- -	750
Fayle, Charlotte	16, Alderbury	spinster	400	- -	2,500
Flimer, Gustavus	7, New Camberwell-road	gent.	200		
Farn, George	Stock Exchange	ditto	1,000		
Ferris, Richard, by C. Hope.	Bristol	ditto	2,000		
Fernley, John	Manchester	ditto	400		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Frank, Meyer	Manchester	merchant	200		
Fletcher, Jasper	King-st., Manchester	-	100		
Fairclough, Geo. Fred.	Liverpool	solicitor	1,000		
Foxcroft, Henry, per J. Fraiers.	Lancaster	gent.	500	- -	750
Franklin Selim	33, St. George's-square, Liverpool.	ditto	200		
Franklin, Charles	Manchester	merchant	200		
Freshfield, Frederick	20, Throgmorton-street	broker	400		
Folthorp, Robert	Cornhill	bookseller	400	500	
Freeman, George	108, Cheapside	warehouseman	100		
Forster, John	3, Barge-yard	merchant	600		
Feller, James	Royal-mews, Pimlico	King's service	300	- -	1,000
Ford, John	Manchester	wine merchant	200		
Foster, W. M.	Red-lion-square	gent.	200		
Fearnoide, John, p. p. Isaac Brathwaite.	Lancaster	ditto	600		
Fulcher, Algernon	1, Totton-street, Stepney	clerk	200		
Farr, Henry, p' George Podmore.	Bristol	gent.	200		
Grubbe, James Andrew Hunt.	3, Bedford-place	clerk	2,800	- -	7,500
Goodwin, Thomas	Angel-ct., Throgmorton-st.	gent.	800	- -	6,650
Gerand, Richard H.	Cadogan-place	ditto	1,000		
Greenaway, Thomas	38, Bishopsgate-street	hatter	200		
Goldsmid Samson	Stock Exchange	broker	400		
Garrod, William Thos.	St. George's-road	gent.	180		
Gregson, John	67, Mark-lane	clerk	400		
Goldsmid, John, jun.	Stock Exchange	gent.	500		
Gotobed, Thomas	82, Great Russell-street, Bloomsbury.	ditto	300		
Griffin, William Hen.	196, Shoreditch	wine merchant	1,000		
Griffin, Thomas	35, ditto	ditto	1,000	1,000	
Greaves, Samuel, proc. John Oxford.	Botolph-wharf	wharfinger	200		
Griffin, Thomas	126, Shoreditch	gent.	1,000	1,000	
Griffin, Ann	Banbury	spinster	200		
Godwin, Thomas	Angel-ct., Throgmorton-st.	gent.	300	see above	
Green, Andrew Pellett	9, James-st. Buckingham-gate.	capt. R. N.	600	1,500	
Gauntlett, Henry John	78, Queen-st. Cheapside	Attorney to the Rev. W. Vernon, of Grindleton, Yorkshire.	200		
Goldsmid, M. A.	35, Gloucester-place	official assignee	260		
Green, John	Brighton-place, New Kent Road.	gent.	100		
Goodwin, Thomas	5, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.	ditto	200		
Gardner, James	4, Tanfield-court	ditto	200	250	
Greaves, Jesse	Birmingham	ditto	100		
Goodess, Alfred Iliff	New-st. Birmingham	surveyor	500		
Germon, Nicholas	Manchester	clerk	400	- -	500
Gelliatt, Wm. Henry	Liverpool	merchant	600		
Gittins, Thomas	Plymouth-grove, Manchester.	collector	200		
Gerard, Enoch	Chester	share broker & accountant.	500	- -	3,750
Green, Wm. Fred.	Bristol	ship-builder	800	- -	4,250
Giles, Richard Bottel	ditto	druggist	200		
Griffiths, William	42, Church-st., Shoreditch	tallow-chandler	40		
Green, Henry	11, Cecil-street, strand	gent.	400		
Gunter, Richard	7, Berkeley-square	confectioner	40	- -	150
Green, Thomas	91, Aldersgate-street	share broker	200		
Geary, Sir William, by B. B. Williams.	Oxon-heath, Tonbridge	baronet	4,000		
Gray, William E.	14, Oxford-bldings., Bath	attorney-at-law	100	250	
Girard, Richard H.	77, Cadogan-place, Chelsea	gent.	100	- -	400
Gingell, Henry, by C. J. Hope.	Henbury, Gloucestershire	esquire	200		
Godwin, Thomas	5, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.	gent.	900		
Goldsmid, George	Mecklenburgh-square	merchant	200		
Greaves, Samuel	High-street, Canterbury	gent.	200		
Griffiths, Wm. Tomlin	5, Cambridge-street Edgeware-road.	ditto	800	- -	2,000
Hay, A. Leith	29, Eaton-square	esq., M. P.	7,000	5,000	

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Hammond, Munden -	27, Lombard-street - -	newspaper proprietor and agent.	300	- -	1,500
Hudson, Wm. George	13, King-street - -	gent. - -	100		
Hope, Stephen Charles	2, North Piazza, Royal Exchange.	ditto - -	400		
Habgood, Thomas -	16, Hatton-garden - -	ditto - -	400	500	900
Hamber, Thomas -	6, Barnsbury-park - -	ditto - -	500		
Hunneman, William -	15, Throgmorton-street -	ditto - -	400		
Holt, Thomas - -	27, Gracechurch-street -	ditto - -	200		
Hall, William - -	47, Prospect-place, St. George's-road, Southwark.	ditto - -	1,400	- -	4,850
Hudson, Robert -	Clapham-common - -	ditto - -	1,000		
Hawley, John - -	Coventry-street - -	goldsmith -	300		
Helps, Thomas - -	Balham-hill - - -	gent. - -	1,000		
Hay, William - -	Cornhill - - -	merchant -	100		
Hammond, Thomas -	Laytonstone-hall - -	gent. - -	3,600		
Harryson, George -	3, Walbrook-buildings -	ditto - -	400		
Hayward, Wm. Robt.	39, Clement's-lane - -	ditto - -	200		
Holderness, William -	34, Camden-cottage -	ditto - -	700		
Henderson, John Crosby.	Baldwyn-st. City-road -	ditto - -	400		
Hill, Charles - -	23, Threadneedle-street -	ditto - -	200		
Hill, Henry - -	Southampton-street, Camberwell.	ditto - -	400		
Haes, David - -	Stock Exchange - -	broker - -	400		
Holland, John - -	8, Bishopsgate-street -	gent. - -	700		
Hamber, Thomas -	Barnsbury-park, Islington	ditto - -	1,000		
Hodding, Wm. Henry, by R. Sutton, jun.	Upper Gloucester-street, Dorset-square.	surgeon - -	300		
Harrison, Thomas -	29, Austin Friars - -	merchant -	700		
Hurry, Alfred - -	8, George-st., Manchester-square.	gent. - -	200		
Hamond, Frederick -	Greenwich - - -	ditto - -	800	- -	5,100
Hinde, Samuel, proc. Isaac Braithwaite.	Lancaster - - -	ditto - -	400		
Harwood, James -	Ann-st. Birmingham -	ditto - -	400	- -	6,000
Holmes, Edward -	Mosley, near ditto - -	ditto - - -	300	- -	1,000
Hackling, John -	Birmingham - - -	banker's clerk	100		
Harris, John - -	Handsworth, near ditto -	gent. - -	100		
Harford, John, jun. -	Birmingham - - -	victualler -	100	- -	250
Higginbottom, Joseph	Manchester - - -	silk merchant	400		
Higson, Thomas -	ditto - - - -	solicitor -	200		
Hardie, Herbert -	ditto - - - -	merchant -	1,500	20,000	16,900
Hardie, James, proc. Herbert Hardie.	ditto - - - -	ditto - -	1,500		
Hardie, Elizabeth, proc. Herbert Hardie.	ditto - - - -	widow - -	1,500		
Horsfall, James -	ditto - - - -	mercer - -	200		
Haigh, Thomas -	Liverpool - - -	broker - -	1,000		
Hebblewhite, Thomas	ditto - - - -	wine merchant	1,000		
Hope, J. p. p. Richard Leyburn Burne.	Bristol - - - -	gent. - -	400		
Harford, Henry -	Bath - - - -	solicitor -	800		
Herepath, Alfred -	Kensington - - -	gent. - -	500	1,000	5,250
Hall, Thomas - -	33, Surrey-st. Strand -	ditto - -	100		
Hoghton, Anthony Alexander.	1, Aberdeen-place, Maida-hill and Stock Exchange	ditto - -	2,400	- -	1,250
Hoghton, Charles -	ditto - - - -	ditto - -	600		
Holt, Thomas - -	27, Gracechurch-street -	ditto - -	200		
Henderson, James -	4, Whitehall - - -	ditto - -	1,000		
Heseltine, Edward -	24, Finch-lane - -	ditto - -	200		
Hamber, Thomas -	6, Barnsbury-park, Islington.	ditto - -	1,000		
Hudson, Geo. Fred. -	23, Bucklersbury - -	solicitor -	300		
Holbrook, Charles -	9, Old North-street, Red Lion-square.	clerk - -	20		
Harvey, Daniel W. -	Raleigh House, Brixton-hill.	esquire - -	1,000		
Hamilton, John Wm.	40, Broad-street-buildings	gent. - -	500	- -	250
Harris, Henry, proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Messrs. Cripps and Co., Cirencester.	ditto - -	200	500	400
Hammond, Thomas -	Laytonstone-hall - -	ditto - -	1,000		
Hemluck, Hermann -	Grove-house, Blackheath	merchant -	600		
Hamlet, Thomas -	Princes-street, Soho -	goldsmith -	1,000		

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Hathway, Thomas	Camberwell	gent.	1,500	- -	10,400
Hodges, Charles Oldacre, proc. of J. C. Hope.	Bristol	ditto	400		
Hoe, Thomas Charles	70, Mark-lane	merchant	400		
Handley, Charles	Downshire-hill, Hampstd.	gent.	1,500		
Holt, Thomas	Hampstead	ditto	2,200		
Harding, Mary, proc. Isaac Braithwaite.	Lancaster	widow	100		
Hall, William	47, Prospect-place, St. George's-road.	gent.	400		
Hall, Thomas	33, Surrey-st. Strand	ditto	1,000		
Harneman, H. Alfred	26, Cornhill	ditto	400	1,000	
Hudson, Wm. George	13, King-street	ditto	100		
Hitchens, Robert	18, Threadneedle-street	broker	4,000		
Hind, Samuel, p. p. Isaac Brathwaite.	Lancaster	gent.	400		
Hydress, Socrates Sam.	Kennington Oval	ditto	500		
Hodges, Charles, by J. C. Hope.	Bristol	ditto	400		
Jones, Henry	43, Manchester-street	gent.	7,000		
Ince, Henry Alex.	Croom's-hill, Greenwich	ditto	500		
Johnson, James	Clalk, near Gravesend	E. India agent	600		
Johnson, John	4, Camden-st. St. Pancras	gent.	400		
Jackson, John	Dorset Crescent	ditto	500		
Jones, H. Baggott	16, Brunswick Crescent Camberwell.	ditto	200		
Jeffkins, George	Holloway	ditto	1,700	5,000	
ditto	ditto	ditto	1,500		
Jagger, Joseph	Handsworth, near Birmingham.	banker's clerk	100		
Jagger, Wm. Jabez	ditto	ditto	200		
Jagger, Chas.	ditto	attorney's clk.	100		
Jenkinson, Wm.	Manchester	machinist	200		
Jullott, Chas. James	ditto	share broker	200		
Irlam, John	Liverpool	merchant	200	- -	250
Johnson, William	Bristol	oil merchant	1,100	-	4,400
James, Wm. Thos.	4, Old Broad-street	merchant	400		
Jones, Edward	Thomas-st. Woolwich	stationer	100		
Jeffery, Bartholomew	12, Bucklersbury	merchant	2,000		
Johnson, John	4, Camden-st. St. Pancras	gent.	200		
Jones, John	Lordship-road	ditto	800		
Joseph, Abm. & Solm.	George-st. Minories	merchant	600		
Keadal, Joseph	7, Chapel-court	gent.	700		
Kelly, Walter Keating	Wellington-rd. St. John's Wood.	ditto	1,100		
Kelly, Wm.	2, Charlotte-st. Blackfr.-rd.	ditto	100		
Knight, Richard	6, Doncaster-place, Old Kent-road.	ditto	200		
Knaggs, Henry	66, High-st. Camden-town	surgeon	500		
Kelland, Matthew	32, High-street, Hastings	linen draper	300		
Kay, Thomas	Manchester	merchant	200		
Keeling, George	ditto	agent	400		
Kennedy, John	Liverpool	grocer	100		
Knaggs, Henry	66, High-st. Camden-town	surgeon	400		
Kenny, Welfenden	20, Throgmorton-st.	merchant	400		
Kingscote, Henry	Bank-buildings	banker	6,000		
Kempson, Samuel	Birmingham	manufacturer	500	- -	3,400
Keeling, Edward H.	72, Flower-st.	broker	400		
Knight, William	Bank of England	gent.	1,500		
Levy, Nath. Philip	Stock Exchange	ditto	600		
Lindo, Elias Haine	St. Mary Axe	merchant	400	- -	2,000
Lawson, John	Browness House, Kensington.	gent.	500		
Lyney, John	24, Birchin-lane	ditto	400		
Lloyd, Nath., proc. of W. Lloyd.	Paternoster-row	ditto	300	- -	400
Letchworth, H. Finch	Reading, Berks	draper	200	- -	250
La Serre, John Geo.	Stock Exchange	gent.	400		
Langherne, John H.	Burton-crescent	ditto	200		
Lonsdale, Walter Geo.	St. Helen's-place	ditto	500		
Le Serof, Jeremiah	11, Egremont-place, St. Pancras.	ditto	200		
Lloyd, Rich. H.	Merton	ditto	2,000		
Ladlow, Geo.	Saville-row, Brompton	ditto	400		
Lee, William	Bristol	share broker	1,000		

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Levy, Solomon, proc. Jas. Badden.	Bristol - - - -	gent. - -	1,200		
Lucas, Henry, by H. Tribe.	Liverpool - - -	notary - -	400		
Lawden, Alfred -	Great Hampton-street -	jeweller -	100	- -	150
Lovell, E. Bourne -	Birmingham - - -	gent. - -	500		
Lee, Samuel - -	131, New-street, ditto -	banker's clerk	100		
Lerigo, Walter - -	Bury, Lancaster - -	druggist -	500	- -	1,000
Laurence, Chas. jun. -	Stock Exchange - -	gent. - -	100		
Landman, Louisa -	34, Keppel-street - -	spinster -	2,000		
Levy, Solm. Abraham	37, Upper Gower-street -	gent. - -	600		
Lloyd, William, proc. of S. Lloyd.	Nailsworth, near Minchinhampton.	clerk - -	2,000	3,000	4,000
Liddiard, J. - -	18, Grove-lane, Camberwell.	- - -	200		
Ladbury, Fred. Thos.	6, Collett-place, Commercial-road.	gent. - -	400		
Labouchere, John -	Birchin-lane - - -	banker -	800		
Loft, Thos. - -	Epping, Essex - -	surgeon -	1,800		
Low, Gustavus - -	28, Basinghall-st. - -	merchant -	200		
Lowe, Chas. by Jas. Wait.	14, Wood-st. Spitalfields -	silk manufact.	400		
Lyen, And. Jno. Wm.	6, Freeman's-court - -	gent. - -	900	- -	250
Lithgow, Robert -	7, Copthall-court - -	ditto - -	1,000		
Lawrence, Chas. J. -	23, Threadneedle-st. -	ditto - -	1,100		
Moxon, John - -	69, Old Broad-st. - -	ditto - -	7,000		
Manning, Thos. -	42, New Ormond-st. -	ditto - -	4,000		
Mackenzie, Henry -	3, Claremont-row, Islington	ditto - -	100	- -	150
Mortimer, Hubert -	10, Bush-lane - -	ditto - -	400		
Mitchell, Josh. Hyde	9, Lawrence-lane - -	druggist -	100		
M'Math, Alex. - -	1, Bruce-terrace, Tottenham.	gent. - -	400		
Moore, Fred. F. -	Cotton - - - -	printer - -	300		
Morell, Henry - -	80, Pall Mall - - -	capt. unattached	100		
Morrison, Geo. W. -	56, Basinghall-street -	gent. - -	600		
Measom, Thos. Christ.	25, Frances-st. Newington	agent - -	200		
Miles, John - -	Jun. U. S. Club - -	lieut.-colonel -	200		
Mitchell, Wm. - -	162, Fleet-street - -	printer - -	200		
Morgan, George -	37, New Broad-street -	gent. - -	600		
Myles, John Chas. -	2, Sweeting's-rents, Cornhill.	ditto - -	2,100		
Mackninn, Fras. -	12, Arundel-st. Strand -	ditto - -	1,000		
Mayne, Wm. - -	15, Bishopsgate-st. - -	ditto - -	300	1,000	5,000
Mitchell, Wm. - -	30, Dowgate-hill - -	ditto - -	100		
Mills, Jas. Thos. -	91, Aldersgate-st. - -	tailor - -	60		
M'Nally, Richard -	3, Walbrook - - -	gent. - -	400		
Mercier, Francis -	Stock Exchange - -	ditto - -	500		
Maude, Edmund -	18, Finsbury-circus -	merchant -	400		
Master, Chas., by Jas. Judson.	Liverpool - - -	gent. - -	400		
Mogg, Wm. Ford -	Bristol - - - -	merchant -	400		
Muskett, Robt. - -	6, John-street, Adelphi -	gent. - -	200		
Mucklow, Thomas -	Birmingham - - -	ditto - -	400	- -	2,000
M'Rae, John - -	17, Ave-Maria-lane -	warehouseman	200		
Mower, George -	Birmingham - - -	linen draper -	200		
Morris, Geo. J. -	Manchester - - -	share broker -	300	1,500	
Morris, Henry Chas. -	Market-street, ditto -	ditto - -	200	1,000	
Marshall, Robert -	Liverpool - - -	merchant -	400	- -	500
Martin, Thos. - -	ditto - - - -	ditto - -	1,200	- -	750
Mayer, Geo. jun. -	Bath - - - -	banker - -	100		
Moxen, Thomas, jun.	32, Queen-square, Bloomsbury.	gent. - -	13,000		
Melville, John - -	Upper Harley-street -	ditto - -	1,000		
Moses, Abm. Lyon -	2, Aldgate - - -	ditto - -	200		
Moring, Chas. - -	Ferdinand-terrace, Hampstead-road.	ditto - -	1,300		
Maubert, J. F. - -	Norwood, Surrey - -	ditto - -	2,500		
Matthy, John - -	23, Doughty-street -	ditto - -	560		
Mackintosh, Angers -	F. College-place, Camden-town.	ditto - -	200		
Maund, Wm. H. -	33, Cornhill - - -	ditto - -	600		
Mines, Geo. - -	49, Windsor-terr. City-rd.	ditto - -	100		
Machin, J. W., proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Salisbury-bank - -	esquire - -	100		
M'Nally, Richard -	3, Walbrook - - -	gent. - -	400		
M'Arthur, Duncan, by J. C. Hope.	Bristol - - - -	ditto - -	400		

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Munroe, Robert	9, South-st. Finsbury	merchant	500		
Medley, Fran. Medley	80, Old Broad-street	gent.	600		
Man, William	26, Cornhill	ditto	200		
Matthew, W. H.	44, Upper Seymour-street, Somers town.		400		
M'Mullen, J. C.	Stock Exchange		500		
Mines, George	49, Windsor-terr. City-rd.	gent.	600		
Masterton, H. W.	Highbury	ditto	400		7,000
Maine, John	Union Club	army	200		
Mosser, Robert	6, Freeman's-court	gent.	400		
Minshull, Geo. R.	12, St. Paul's Church-yd.	ditto	100		150
M'Dougall, Alexander Henderson.	46, Parliament-street	solicitor	1,000		
Mitchell, Peter	Stock Exchange	broker	400		
Mackglew, Robert, & John Barker.	77, Basinghall-street	wool brokers	600		
M'Rae, James	17, Ave-Maria-lane	gent.	100		
Neave, R. Digby	Pit-place, Epsom	esquire	7,000		
Nathan, Moss	Radcliffe	tailor	100		
Nairne, Alex.	Camberwell-grove	gent.	300		
Nicholson, Wm.	7, Tokenhouse-yard	ditto	700		
Newnham, R. J. by D. W. Barbe, jun.	Brighton	agent	600		
Nicholson, Donald	Liverpool	hatter	200		
Notley, George	Terrace-house, Albany-rd.	gent.	200		
Nicholson, Donald, proc. Wm. Mackney.	Liverpool	ditto	200		
Nicholson, James	10, Charlotte-st. Fitzroy-square.	ditto	200		
Norton, Bradbury	Stock Exchange	ditto	200		
Ochterlony, Thomas	10, Lancaster-pl. London	merchant	400		
Owen, John	21, Wilson-st. Finsbury	hair worker	80		
Ogden, J. Maude, proc. W. Burton Stewardson	Sunderland	gent.	400		
Owen, Edward	St. Leonard's Parsonage, Wendover, Bucks.	clerk	1,000		
Oddie, James	Liverpool	book-keeper	200		
Philpots, Thomas	3, Park-st. Westminster	merchant	7,000	5,000	20,000
Perkins, Chas.	67, Mark-lane	ditto	7,000	5,000	20,000
Page, Robt.	Charlton, near Somerton	esquire	7,000	5,000	10,000
Pharasyn, C. Johnson	Lloyd's Coffee-house	gent.	1,000		1,000
Price, Stephen	12, Tavistock-square	ditto	1,000		
Patten, Thomas	11, Mansion-house-street	ditto	100		
Page, Robt.	40, Gloucester-place	esquire	6,600		
Pratt, George	106, Wood-street	agent	100		
Pidding, James	6, Elizabeth-place, Kennington-cross.		400		
Puddock, John E.	35, Alfred-street	wine merchant	100		
Phillips, Coleman Lyons	17, John-street, Crutched-friars.	ditto	200		
Pougerard, Paul	Exchange Buildings	merchant	200	2,000	
ditto	ditto	ditto	200		
Perkins, Robt.	31, Cornhill	agent	1,000	500	
ditto	ditto	ditto	100		
Palmer, Thomas	Moon-st. Islington	haberdasher	200		
Philpots, A. Hodgson	144, Leadenhall-street	merchant	1,000		
Pater, John James	42, King-st.-terrace, New North-road.	gent.	100		
Pryer, Edw. Charlton	10, Lorraine-pl. Holloway	ditto	400		
Parteridge, W. H.	Birmingham	surgeon	200		
Phelps, Joseph Lloyd	ditto	banker's clerk	100		
Pemberton, Edward	ditto	ironmaster	600		750
Pickering, John	Manchester	music seller	200		250
Perry, Thomas	ditto	drysalter	100		250
Pattison, Geo. Fred. proc. J. Fletcher.	King-street, ditto	ditto	100		
Preston, Sam. proc. J. Traves.	Lancaster	gent.	100		250
Palmer, Geo.	North Piazza, R. Exchange	broker	1,000		
Pitt, Joseph	15, Harper-street	agent	100		
Pitt, Wm.	12, Cambridge-st.	gent.	100		
Pitt, Joshua	15, Harper-st.	agent	100		
Pater, Wm. Foster	24, Brooksby-st. Islington	gent.	100		
Powell, Thos.	Stock Exchange		1,000		
Park, Adam	Gravesend	ditto	400		
Parkes, Samuel, proc. C. A. Preston.	Birmingham	ditto	200		

No. 5.
List of Shareholders in the Gravesend, Dover and Kent Railways.

NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Pearce, J. Moriscoe	10, St. Swithin's-lane	solicitor	800		
Pennington, John	4, Austin-friars	gent.	400		
Pinto, Urquhart and Perez.	36, Crutched-friars	merchants	2,000		
Rowe, Geo. R.	Chigwell, Essex	M. D.	7,000	5,000	
Rickman, S. P.	4, George-yard, Lombard-street.	merchant	400		
Rasch, Arthur A.	Merton, Surrey	gent.	200		
Richards, Thos.	Sun Office, Stroud	agent	100		
Rivaz, John	Jersey	gent.	200		
Rivaz, Edw.	Lloyd	ditto	200		
Ronaldson, J. James	6, New Broad-street	merchant	1,000		
Rothwell, John	29, Weymouth-ter. Hackney-road.	gent.	400		
Rickman, Sam. P.	11, George-yd. Lombard-street.	merchant	400		
Reimer, H. p. p. John Alfre.	3, Catherine-court	gent.	200		
Rowe, John	16, Change-alley	engraver and printer.	1,800	- -	1,500
Ryan, Frederick D.	Excise-office	gent.	200		
Robinson, George	Throgmorton-street	hatter	200		
Romilly, Cuthbert S.	6, New-sq., Lincoln's-Inn	esq.	100		
Rey, Thomas	Liverpool	merchant	400	- -	500
Reyner, Josh. B.	Manchester	ditto	1,500		
Reyner, Frederick	ditto	ditto	500		
Reyner, Alfred	Ashton-under-Lyne	ditto	1,000		
Royston, George	Manchester	manufacturer	100		
Riddle, William Lury	Bristol	gent.	200		
Roscoe, Thomas	Grafton-pl., Kentish Town	ditto	100		
Roberts, Josiah	Terrace, Camberwell	ditto	200		
Richards, Thomas S.	117, Bishopsgate Within	merchant	400		
Richardson, Lawford	Stock Exchange	gent.	600		
Rame, James	23, Little St. Thos. Apostle	broker	400		
Rucker, Henry John	14, Mincing-lane	merchant	200		
Robinson, Daniel	13, Austin-friars	gent.	800		
Robinson, George	58, White-lion-street, Pentonville.	ditto	300		
Rucker, Sigismund, jun.	12, Great Tower-street	colonial broker	600		
Rist, William	21, Great North-st., Lisson-grove.	gent.	300	500	2,000
Riley, Benjamin S., proc. C. Smith.	Liverpool	merchant	400		
Ringer, J. Stewart	8, Bishopsgate Within	gent.	300		
Robinson, George	58, White-lion-street, Islington.	ditto	400		
Roath, John, by A. Green.	9, Crutched-friars	ditto	1,500		
Read, William	U. S. Club	ditto	400	- -	2,500
Reeve, Ellis, p. p. Josh. Stainley.	Pope's Head-alley, Cornhill.	stock broker	1,000		
Rotherham, Charles	Birmingham	plater	200		
Rogers, Josh. Lightwood.	ditto	writing clerk	100		
Rushton, William	ditto	maltster	100		
Rolton, Henry	ditto	gent.	500		
Russell, John Henry Cromwell.	Sittingbourne	ditto	600		
Smith, Henry	67, Torrington-square	surgeon	500		
Smith, Colin	82, Cornhill	gent.	1,250		
Swift, Henry Edward	7, Grove-end-road, St. John's Wood.	ditto	200		
Swaby, James	Thorne, Gt. Berkhampstead	ditto	4,000		
Solman, George	27, Gracechurch-street	ditto	100		
Shipton, Frances	Watford, Herts	spinster	400	1,000	3,000
Smith, James	27, Austin-friars	accountant	400	- -	250
Smithurst, James	Brixton-road	gent.	100		
Stallard, Samuel	Clapham	ditto	400		
Stephens, William	Prospect Hall, near Reading	ditto	100		
Shuter, Edward	38, Borough	hatter	800		
Scott, Benjamin	Clapham Common	gent.	500		
Smith, Robert	New-court, Bow-lane	merchant	700	- -	1,500
Snell, Edmund	3, Spread-Eagle-ct., Finch-lane.	gent.	300		
Shaw, John Wybergh	15, Clarence-street	ditto	1,400	- -	1,000
Stephen, Daniel Edward	Chingford, Essex	ditto	100		
Stone, Samuel	24, Austin-friars	broker	200	- -	750

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Short, Henry -	Oxford-ter., Hyde-park -	member of the Univ. of Cambridge.	200	5,000	10,500 } 20,000 }
Stephens, Gilbert -	Doughty-street - -	gent. - -	800	1,500	
Strickland, John -	Dock-head, Bermondsey -	coffee-house keeper	200		
Sheriff, William David	3, George-yd., Lombard-st.	merchant -	200	1,000 } 2,500 }	
Short, John James -	Stock Exchange - -	broker - -	1,000		
Swably, James, by Robert Sutton, jun.	The Thorne, Great Berkhampstead, Herts.	esq. - -	4,000		
Simpson, William -	2, Inn, Strand - -	printer - -	100		
Smith, Frederick -	1, John-st., Cambridge-rd.	gent. - -	200		
Spurgin, John - -	38, Guildford-street -	physician -	200		
Stocken, Peter Fred.	11, Stafford-place, Pimlico	gent. - -	100	- -	250
Sturoke, Claus - -	Newman's-court, Cornhill	wine merchant	200		
Sloan, Charles James	48, Stafford-place, Pimlico	gent. - -	200		
St. Amour, Richard, by George Child.	Ostend - - - - -	merchant -	200	- -	500
Sales, John - -	47, Finsbury-circus - -	gent. - -	260		
Sharp, William Henry	Upper Berkeley-st., P. S.	ditto - -	1,000		
Sainsbury, John, proc. Frederick Sheer.	3, Mildred's-court - -	ditto - -	1,000		
Skewell, John, p. p. J. Duffeld.	35, Throgmorton-street -	stock broker -	500		
Satterthwaite, James, by Isaac Braithwaite.	Lancaster - - -	gent. - -	400		
Shipway, Benj. -	Union-street, Birmingham	printer - -	100	- -	250
Short, Marianne -	Handsworth, near ditto -	spinster -	600		
Smith, George - -	Birmingham - - -	haberdasher and manufacturer.	200		
Smith, William -	ditto - - -	agent and silversmith.	100		
Smith, Charlotte -	ditto - - -	spinster -	100		
Stewart, Thos. - -	Liverpool - - -	wine merchant	400	- -	1,000
Saltmarshe, Christopher	Everton, near ditto -	merchant -	600		
Staite, Opie - -	Bristol - - - -	gent. - -	400		
Simonds, Wm. May -	80, Old Broad-street -	broker - -	860		
Soares, Antonio J. -	12, Abbey-rd., St. John's-wood.	etadient -	1,500	5,000	
Snow, John Rowe -	1, Princes-st., Soho -	jeweller -	300		
Salkeld, Joseph -	Stock-exchange - -	gent. - -	200		
Sigmond, George G. -	24, Dover-street - -	M.D. - -	200		
Squire, William -	Manchester - - -	warehouseman	100		
Stott, Samuel - -	ditto - - -	agent - -	100		
Smith, John - -	ditto - - -	clerk - -	200		
Sims, Raymond Edw.	Doddington-grove, Newington.	gent. - -	200		
Smith, Thos. T. - -	22, Bolton-street - -	gent. - -	4,000	7,500	
Salmon, George -	27, Gracechurch-street -	ditto - -	100		
Smith, N. - -	Birdhurst-lodge, Croydon	ditto - -	1,000		
Smith, Samuel - -	Clapham, and 27, Wood-street, Cheapside. -	ditto - -	800		
Selman, George -	27, Gracechurch-street -	gent. - -	100		
Squire, Thos., proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Cripps & Co., Cirencester	esq. - -	100		
Smith, George, proc. J. S. Miles, jun.	Salisbury-bank - -	esq. - -	400		
Spooner, William -	Temple - - - -	barrister -	600		
Stokes, Chas. Wm. -	68, Old Broad-street -	stock broker -	200		
Simpson, W. Blake -	Tulse-hill - - -	gent. - -	300		
Sutton, James - -	7, Castle-alley - -	gent. - -	1,000		
Spurring, Rich. E. -	19, York-st., Portman-sq.	- - -	300		
Smith, Thos. T. -	Stock-exchange - -	gent. - -	3,160		
Sutton, Robert - -	Ross-way, North-church -	esq. - -	2,000		
Solly, Isaac, jun. -	St. Mary-Axe - -	merchant -	1,000		
Smith, Samuel - -	68, High-st., Southwark -	- - -	800		
Short, Samuel - -	43, Oxford-terrace, Hyde-park.	member of University, Camb.	900		
Sedgwick, Thos. Lond	41, Mark-lane - -	ironmonger -	1,000	- -	1,250
Smyth, John A. T. -	11, Mark-lane - -	merchant -	6,000		
Simpson, John - -	Princes-st., Wilson-st. -	gent. - -	100	- -	750
Scott, Thos., jun. -	80, Old Broad-street -	ditto - -	600		
Shipton, Frances -	38, Ely-place - -	spinster -	100	1,000	
Strickland, John, proc. W. Benson.	Newgate-market - -	cheese-factor	300		
Smith, John - -	Milton, next Gravesend -	gent. - -	400		
Storr, Paul - -	15, John-st., Crutched-friars	merchant -	1,000		
Saunders, T. J. Drake	Southampton-st., Camberwell	gent. - -	1,000		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Stevens, John Lee	3, George-yard	gent.	1,900		
Sutton, Robt., jun.	Royal-exchange	ditto	7,500		5,000
Snow, Bernard Grey	Highgate	ditto	4,800		
Swallow, John	Manchester	cotton dealer	200		250
Twells, John	27, Gracechurch-street	banker	7,000		27,500
Turner, Thos. Melton	Stock-exchange	gent.	200		
Tilden, Augustus	15, Henrietta-st., Cavendish-sq.	ditto	500		
Titterton, John	Tulse-hill, Brixton	ditto	200		
Thornton, Henry	10, Finch-lane	merchant	400		
Taite, John	228, Oxford-street	tailor	200		
Tolthorp, Rob.	Stamford-street	gent.	400		
Tyrer, David	Edmonton	ditto	200		
Turner, Thos.	92, Royal-exchange	ditto	100		
Tonkin, Nicholas Hen.	Tom's Coffee-house	clerk	200		
Taylor, Rich.	6, Waterloo-place	esq.	2,300		
Theobald, Thomas	3, Suffolk-lane	gent.	200		
Thomson, James	Bank of England	ditto	200		
Trimmer, Thomas	Rodney-cottage, New Kent-road.	ditto	100		
Townsend, James	70, Albany-st., Regent's-pk.	ditto	700	8,000	
Tuke, W. Epworth	36, North-bank	merchant	300		
Tolthorp, Robert	Stamford-street	gent.	100		
Tucker, Henry	Stock-exchange	ditto	1,000		
Tielens, John Anthony	147, Fenchurch-street	merchant	400		
Tinnis, Ebenezer	Birmingham	goldsmith and broker.	600	1,500	2,250
Timmins, Joseph	Handsworth, near ditto	gent.	100		15,000
Tatnall, Wm. Henry	Aston, near ditto	banker's clerk	200		
Taylor, Charles	Deertend, near ditto	maltster	100		
Thompson, James	Manchester	bookseller and stationer.	100		
Taylor, Samuel	Liverpool	merchant	100		150
Townsend, Richard S.	St. Michael's, near ditto	clerk	100		150
Twells, Philip	26, Lincoln's-inn	barrister-at-law	2,500	2,500	
Temple, William	2, Surrey-square, Kent-rd.	gent.	2,000		
Ditto	ditto	ditto	400		
Tyler, Henry	25, St. Swithin's-lane	clerk	400		
Teynham	Carnegie-house, Kensington	baron	800	2,500	
Thorn, Thomas, by John Jeffries	6, York-row, Kennington	gent.	1,000		
Toogood, William, proc. George Toogood	Cardiff	ditto	800		
Townsend, Thomas, by L. S. Line.	Manchester	esquire	900		
Thomas, W. H.	Camberwell	gent.	200		
Tilbury, John	Bank-note Paper-office	Bank of Eng.	300		
Temple, William	2, Surrey-square, Kent-rd.	gent.	100		
Ticehurst, William	Southampton Cottage, Havrestock-hill.	ditto	1,000		
Trist Samuel	5, Crown-st., Philpot-lane	merchant	2,400		
Thorp, John, by Thos. Griffin	Brown-lane, Spitalfields	silk manufacturer.	400		
Townsend, Geo. Bell	5, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.	gent.	200		
Thompson, Joseph	Manchester	bookseller	100		
Upton, George	Queen-street, Cheapside	lamp manufacturer.	800		
Upton, George	ditto	colour manufacturer.	400		
Utterton, John	Croydon	lieut.-colonel	7,000		
Uziolli, Matthew	1, Euston-square	gent.	200		
Underwood, John	Manchester	butcher	100		
Valpy, Abm. John	Sussex-place, Regent's-park	gent.	300		1,000
Walter, George	East Dulwich	ditto	7,000	5,000	33,000
Wyche, Thomas Eyre	Grove-hill, Camberwell	ditto	7,000		
Whiffin, Henry	1, Madox-st., Greenwich-rd.	contractor	100	4,500	150
Wilson, Wm. Wynne	27, Gracechurch-st.	gent.	200		
Waymouth, Henry	17, Bryanstone-square	esquire	1,000		
Wheeler, Gervase	28, Bartlett's-buildings	gent.	800		1,000
Webb, Henry	39, West-square	ditto	100	750	
Walker, George	50, Seymour-street, Bryanstone-square.	ditto	400		
Watt, Alexander	16, St. Helen's-place	accountant	400		500
Wilkin, John	Spring-gardens	gent.	1,600		
Wilkins, James	ditto	ditto	1,600		
Wrench, Edward	London-bridge	merchant	2,000		

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NAME.	PLACE OF ABODE.	Quality or Calling.	Gravesend.	Dover.	Kent.
			£.	£.	£.
Woodroffe, John	11, George-yard, Lombard-st.	gent.	1,600		
Wheeler, George	20, Haydon-square.	ditto	600		
Williams, John	Lordship-road, Stoke Newington.	ditto	200		
Wilson, Effingham	88, Royal-exchange	publisher	200	- -	5,500
Wright, John	73, Nicholas-st., North-rd.	gent.	200	250	
Webb, Henry	39, West-square	ditto	200		
Wilton, Arthur	14, West-square	barrister-at-law	600		
Whitmore, Lawrence & Pearce.	Auction-mart	stock-brokers	1,600		
Williams, John	Stock-exchange	gent.	200		
Welsh, John	38, New Broad-street	ditto	200		
Ward, William, jun.	Stock-exchange	ditto	500		
Williams, John	ditto	ditto	1,000		
Walker, William	2, Upper Seymour-st. West	ditto	400		
Waugh, James H.	65, Cornhill	merchant	200	500	
Wetenhall, James	Stock-exchange	gent.	200	- -	12,250
Westhead, John	High-street, Manchester	manufacturer	700	1,500	
Wade, John, by R. W. Moore.	Birmingham	share broker	100	- -	1,750
Wade, Samuel, by R. W. Moore.	ditto	ditto	100		
Wedgworth, Mary, by James M'Rae.	Ryde, Isle of Wight	spinster	100		
Williams, Thomas L.	20, Haymarket	tradesman	120	300	
Waite, James	14, Wood-street, Mddx.	merchant	300	- -	150
Wilson, Edward	Birmingham	accountant	100		
Wrighton, Robert	ditto	share broker	100		
Wilson, Joseph	Yildsley, Lancashire	cotton spinner	200	- -	250
Warwick, Bright	Liverpool	merchant	1,000	- -	1,250
Wilson, Robert	ditto	book-keeper	300	- -	1,400
Westhead, Joshua P.	Manchester	manufacturer	400		
Westhead, Edward	ditto	ditto	200		
Wyche, John	Ashton-under-Line	gent.	1,000		
Warden, Benjamin	Shade-hill, Manchester	solicitor	100	500	
Woodman, Charles	40, Little Eastcheap	orange merchant.	800		
Wood, Henry W.	20, Austin-friars	London merchant.	500		
Wagstall, Joseph, proc. William Wagstaff.	Warrington	gent.	400		
Wilson, Effingham	3, South-street	ditto	400	- -	10,200
Webb, Alfred, proc. William Mackey.	Liverpool	ditto	600		
Wort, John	23, Canterbury-row, Islington.	ditto	100		
Wade, John	Kennington	ditto	200		
Williams, B. B.	Tavistock-square	esquire	1,000		
Wyche, Mary Ann, by Th. Eyre Wyche.	Warminster	spinster	600		
Wyche, Th. Eyre, for William Slade.	ditto	clergyman	1,000		
Wyche, Th. Eyre	Grove-hill, Camberwell	esquire	5,000		
Wilson, Thomas	Jeffery's-square	merchant	1,000		
Warren, James	20, New-rd., St. George's, East.	newsvender	20		
Wilkinson, Daniel	George-yard	gent.	600		
Waite, E., proc. James Waite.	14, Wood-street, Spital-fields.	silk manufacturer.	200		
Waite, James	ditto	ditto	100		
Woodfall, Henry, jun.	Jerusalem Coffee-house	gent.	600		
Wood, Robert	1, Penton-place	ditto	200		
Ward, J. E.	Bank	ditto	400		
Wilson, Richard, proc. Thomas Hall.	44, Newgate-street	general agent	200		
Wrightson, Robert	Birmingham	bookseller	500		
Wylie, H. Johnstone	Liverpool	book-keeper	300		
		TOTAL	579,230	187,050	465,950
		PERSONS	769	60	136

— No. 6. —

DEPTFORD AND DOVER RAILWAY.

Copy PETITION against Violation of the STANDING ORDERS.

No. 6.
Deptford and Dover Railway; Petition against Violation of the Standing Orders.

TO the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners and Occupiers of Land in the Line of the projected Kent Railway from Deptford to Dover,

Sheweth,

THAT in 1835 a public prospectus was issued for the formation of a company to obtain an Act for making a line of railway from the railway at Greenwich to the town of Gravesend, with a capital of 600,000 *l.*, in 30,000 shares of 20 *l.* each.

That in the year 1836, a second prospectus was published for the formation of a company to obtain an Act for making a railway from Gravesend aforesaid, by way of Maidstone, to the port of Dover, with certain branches therefrom.

That a bill was brought into Parliament, in the Session of 1836, for the execution of the first-mentioned project, which bill was rejected on the second reading, and that the said second-mentioned project was not proceeded with.

That some of the directors of the first projected line of railway were also directors of the second projected line.

That shortly after the rejection of the said first-mentioned project the majority of the said directors, with other parties, united for the formation of a company, under the name of "The Kent Railway Company," to obtain an Act for making an entire line from Greenwich aforesaid through Gravesend, Rochester and Canterbury to Ramsgate and Dover, and the said project was brought forward in Parliament in the last Session as a contemplated line.

That on the 28th May 1836, a public prospectus was advertised by the same parties for subscriptions for a railway between Greenwich and Ramsgate, with certain branches, with a capital of 2,000,000 *l.*, in 40,000 shares of 50 *l.* each, deposit 2 *l.* per share, which prospectus stated, amongst other things, that "the capital required to carry into effect this great national work is estimated at 2,000,000 *l.* sterling, the greater part of which has been provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late London and Gravesend and London and Dover Companies have been transferred to the present enterprise."

That such "greater part" of the said estimated capital of 2,000,000 *l.* had not then and has not now been so provided.

That in or about the month of June 1836, after sundry projects, a further public prospectus was advertised by the same parties for subscriptions of the same amount and aggregate capital for a railway between Greenwich and Ramsgate, with certain branches, stating "that the provisional directors feel it necessary to inform the subscribers that they have deemed it advisable to alter the terminus of the proposed railway from Dover to Ramsgate."

That in the said last-mentioned prospectus a local "provisional committee" was also advertised for "Greenwich," with the name of F. G. Hamond, esq. as chairman thereof.

That on the 1st November 1836, a further public prospectus was issued by the same parties, purporting to be from the Kent Railway-office, 76, Cornhill, as follows:—

"Kent Railway from London to Dover, *viâ* Greenwich, Woolwich, Dartford, Gravesend, Stroud, Rochester, Chatham, Sittingbourne, Faversham, Canterbury, Sandwich and Deal, also to Ramsgate.

"Capital 2,000,000 *l.*, in 40,000 shares of 50 *l.* each; deposit 2 *l.* per share.

"Provisional Directors.

Lieut.-Colonel Sir A. Leith Hay, K. C. C. S., M. P.
Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq. M. P.
William Pinney, esq. M. P.
Thomas Phillpots, esq.
Rowan Ronald, esq.
George Robert Rowe, esq. M. D.
Owen Taljer, esq.
William Borradaile, esq.
John Brothers, esq.
Edward Hughes, esq.
George Money, esq.
Robert Page, esq.
Charles Perkins, esq.
Lieut.-Colonel Skerrett.
Henry Short, esq.
John Rodway Stock, esq.
John Twells, esq.
George Walter, esq.
John Yates, esq.

"Bankers:

No. 6.
Deptford and Dover Railway: Petition against Violation of the Standing Orders.

"Bankers:—Messrs. Spooner, Attwoods and Company.

"Solicitors:—James Vallance, esq., Messrs. Currie and Woodgate, and A. H. MacDougall.

"Engineers:—James Walker, esq., F.R.S.L. & E., and Alfred Burges.

"Secretaries:—William Green, esq. and Colin Smith, esq.

"Surveyor:—George Smith, esq.

"The Kent Railway will connect the Government dockyards and garrisons, the populous towns and districts, and the principal ports in the county of Kent with the Metropolis. The line selected by Mr. Walker, the engineer, as will be seen on reference to the annexed plan, is in continuation of the Greenwich Railway at Deptford, and will pass through Greenwich, Woolwich, Erith, Dartford, Gravesend, Rochester, Sittingbourne, Ospringe, Canterbury, Fordwich, and upon the south side of the River Stour, near Ash, where the lines divide into two parts, the one proceeding to Ramsgate by the upper end of Pegwell Bay, and the other *viâ* Sandwich and Deal to Dover, the terminus being in the town and close to the sea.

"The distances to all the towns, except Dover, are nearly the same as by the turnpike road, viz.:

"From London Bridge	to Woolwich	- 7	miles.
—	to Gravesend	- 21	—
—	to Rochester	- 29½	—
—	to Canterbury	- 57	—
—	to Sandwich	- 70½	—
—	to Ramsgate	- 73	—
—	to Deal	- 75	—
—	to Dover	- 83	—

"The features of the line are peculiarly favourable; a length of 50 miles being nearly level, while, with the exception of three furlongs, the Junction with the Greenwich Railway, no gradient will exceed one in 330, or 16 feet per mile.

"All the deep cuttings and principal works, with a single exception, will be in chalk.

"It is proposed to pass through Greenwich Park by a tunnel so constructed as to admit of apertures at the side for light and ventilation; through Woolwich by bridges, and over the Medway by a viaduct; Broughton Hill will be avoided by a short deep cutting or by a short tunnel of from a quarter to half a mile long; at Selling and near Ramsgate will be a deep cutting or a tunnel not more than 400 yards in length. Thus, the whole extent of tunnelling is not likely to exceed a mile or a mile and a half, divided into three or four short tunnels at different parts of the line.

"In this description of the projected line will be recognized all that can give it value as an investment and importance as a truly national work. Running through a cultivated and densely peopled country, embracing in its course the Government dockyards and garrisons at Woolwich, Chatham, Sheerness and Deal, and affording communication between the metropolis, the towns before enumerated and the continental ports, the Kent Railway will be found to blend in no ordinary degree the objects of public utility and private convenience. It remains for the directors only to state that the capital being provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late Gravesend and Dover Companies have been transferred to the Kent, they are prepared to approach Parliament, in the ensuing Session, with a case presenting in every respect the strongest claims to legislative protection and support.

"Further information may be obtained at the Company's Offices, No. 76, Cornhill.

"Kent Railway Office, No. 76, Cornhill.
1st November 1836."

"*W. Green*
"*C. Smith*
} Secretaries."

That a Petition was presented to your Honourable House on the 16th day of February instant, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a railway between Deptford and Dover, which Petition now stands referred to the Select Committee on petitions for Private Bills.

That on the 20th day of February instant, notice was given by the agents for proceeding with the petition before the Committee of Standing Orders on Friday next the 24th instant.

That on the 16th day of February instant, the said petitioners, previously to the presentation of such their petition, deposited, conformably with the Standing Orders of your Honourable House,

1. An estimate of the calculated cost of the said undertaking.
2. A list of the owners, lessees and occupiers on the line of the said intended railway.
3. A paper, purporting to be a copy of the Parliamentary Contract, and a list of the subscribers to the said undertaking,

That by the Standing Orders of your Honourable House, such subscription list must amount to "one-half, at the least, of the estimated expense, and must be entered into by persons binding themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, for the payment of the money so subscribed;" and such list must contain "the Christian and surnames and places of abode, together with a description of the quality or calling of the subscribers to the work, and the sums by them respectively subscribed."

That

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That the estimate so deposited as aforesaid, was 3,000,000 *l.* sterling, and is as follows:

"Kent Railway.

"We estimate the cost of the proposed Kent Railway at the sum of Three Million Pounds.

"*T. S. Walker.*

"Signed in the presence of "*A. Burges.*"

"*M. A. Borthwick.*"

That notwithstanding such estimate of 3,000,000 *l.* so lodged in the Private Bill Office on the said 16th day of February instant, the last-mentioned prospectus has been subsequently advertised in the "Dover Chronicle" journal, of Saturday last, the 18th of February instant, with a capital of 2,000,000 *l.* sterling only.

That by the said prospectus 2,000,000 *l.* are stated to be the capital of the said undertaking, and it was likewise stated that such "capital was provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late Gravesend and Dover Companies have been transferred to the Kent, and that they (the directors) are prepared to approach Parliament in the ensuing Session, with a case presenting in every respect the strongest claims to legislative protection and support;" and that although such deposited estimate of the expense of the said undertaking is 3,000,000 *l.*, no alteration, so far as your petitioners can learn, has been announced in the capital of the said company.

That the gross amount of subscriptions on the said deposited list is 1,590,150 *l.*, being only 90,150 *l.* exceeding a moiety of the said estimated sum.

That the Standing Order of your Honourable House requiring such exactness in the statement of the names, quality, abode and respective sums covenanted to be paid by such subscribers, was promulgated by your Honourable House in 1830, in consequence of gross frauds reported to your Honourable House by a Committee on certain petitions against the Birmingham and London Junction Canal Bill, then pending in Parliament, the report of which Committee stated to your Honourable House, "that a gross violation of the privileges of the House and of the spirit of its Standing Orders has been committed."

That on an examination of, and inquiry into, the said subscription list so deposited on the part of the promoters of the application for leave to bring in a Deptford and Dover or Kent Railway Bill, your petitioners have discovered that a gross violation of the privileges of your Honourable House has been committed, and a scandalous imposition practised on your petitioners, and on any *bonâ fide* subscribers and the public.

That the spirit of the said Standing Orders requires that the said subscription shall be *bonâ fide*, and that the real names, quality and abode of the subscribers, and the real sum subscribed by each of them, shall be truly stated.

That your Petitioners have discovered that a large portion of the said subscription represents needy and indigent persons of inferior station in life, deeply engaged in bubble companies and gambling transactions, and utterly unable to pay the sums affixed to their respective names in the said list, or even the deposits required thereon by the said prospectus.

That the following parties, whose names are attached to the said subscription deed, executed the same for money, and paid no deposits; and, as your Petitioners are informed and can prove, executed the said deed on the same day (the 14th day of February instant), and at the same place, and immediately preceding the deposits in the Private Bill Office; viz. as hereinafter described in the subscription list so deposited.

				£.
1	Henry Rowley	18, Savage-gardens, London	Gentleman	10,500
2	Jacob Castello	11, Beaumont-place	Gentleman	7,500
3	William Watson	12, Cooper's-row, Crutched-friars, London.	Gentleman	9,500
4	Charles James Thicke	Felix-place, Islington, Middlesex	Gentleman	10,000
5	Simon Barend	25, Russell-street, Bedford-square, Middlesex.	Gentleman	12,500
6	Mark Rothschild	72, Britannia-terrace, Middlesex	Gentleman	7,500
7	Jos. Hirst	2, Sherborne-lane, London	Agent	9,500
8	Lewis Mendleson	59, King-street, Soho-square, Middlesex.	Merchant	8,500
9	Richard Spencer	27, Baldwin-street, Middlesex	Accountant	9,500
10	Francis Newcombe	6, Doncaster-place, ditto	Gentleman	6,500
11	Richard Lee	1, Bartholomew-lane, London	Jobber	5,500
12	Benjamin Wheeler Poulton.	Hounslow, Middlesex	Gentleman	2,500
13	Antonio Glazier	52, Fenchurch-street, London	Shoemaker	6,500
14	Thomas Yeakell	9, Pownall-terrace, Middlesex	Surveyor and Engineer.	9,500
15	William Hatchwell	38, Wilson-street, Finsbury	Gentleman	12,500
16	Thomas Thompson	5, Scott's-place, Islington, Middlesex	Gentleman	10,000
17	Richard Nicholson	24, Gibson-street, ditto	Tobacco Merchant.	9,350
18	Gorman Iseit	55, Gloucester-street, Bloomsbury, Middlesex.	Gentleman	5,500
19	John Brown	33, Gerrard-street, Soho, ditto	Merchant	9,500
20	Wm. Samuel Johnson	30, Cowper-street, City-road, ditto	Accountant and Broker.	5,500

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				£.
21	William Lumley -	- - 158, Ratcliffe-highway, Middlesex.	Willow-square manufacturer.	4,500
22	Moses Ansell - -	74, Leman-street, ditto - - -	Merchant - -	4,500
23	Michael Jacobs -	9, Groster-street, ditto - - -	Gentleman -	9,500
24	Aaron Nunez - -	1, Jewry-street, ditto - - -	Bootmaker -	5,500
25	William Townsend -	17, Cullum-street, London - -	Agent - -	8,500
26	John Smyth - -	30, Castle-street, Middlesex - -	Gentleman -	9,500
27	Solomon Burraquelu -	2, Woburn-buildings - - -	Gentleman -	4,500
28	Jacob Burraquelu -	8, King-street, Aldgate, London -	Grocer - -	2,500
29	Jos. Simeon Barzerber	- - 3, Cumming-street, Wapping, Middlesex.	Gentleman -	3,500
30	William Dorrington -	Kennington, Surrey - - -	Agent - -	2,500
31	William Wright -	28, Great Charlotte-street, Middlesex	Gentleman -	800
32	William Swounell -	East-street, Old Kent-road, Kent -	Merchant - -	750
33	George Broad - -	Peckham, Surrey - - - -	Gentleman -	500
			£.	224,900

That on the said 14th day of February, some of the promoters of the said Bill procured the attendance of such numbers of indigent and gambling persons at the office of the before-mentioned F. G. Hamond, at the Commercial Sale Rooms, Mincing-lane, in the city of London, who were induced to sign the said subscription contract for various sums of money, and that several individuals subsequently received sums of 3*s.* and 4*s.* each for fixing their signatures to subscriptions varying in amount from 500*l.* to 12,000*l.* and upwards.

That other indigent and gambling persons have signed the said deed for sums of 25,000*l.* each.

That your petitioners have reason to believe that the amount pretended to be subscribed by such parties at that time considerably exceeds the sum of 300,000*l.*

That your petitioners have reason to believe that another and considerable portion of the said subscription list represents many persons of a doubtful character, wholly unable to meet the engagement covenanted for by the said deed.

That such subscription list contains fictitious names, and the names of other persons whose abode and quality are not therein truly described.

That numbers of such stated subscribers have paid no deposit, have received no scrip, and have not been accepted as shareholders otherwise than by the recent fraudulent execution of the Parliamentary deed.

That on and before the 14th day of February instant, two days preceding the deposit of the said subscription list, estimate and documents in the Private Bill Office, the promoters of the said Bill had not obtained the requisite proportion of one half of the estimated expense.

That the bankers to the said company and undertaking are represented in the advertised prospectus to be Messrs. Spooner, Attwood & Co., Gracechurch-street, London.

That the following names appear in the subscription list of partners, clerks and others, entered as having their abode in the said banking-house, 27, Gracechurch-street, City, with the following sums attached to their several names; viz.:—

	£.
1. Matthias Atwood - - - - - - - -	6,500
2. John Twells - - - - - - - - -	20,000
3. Jno. Twells - - - - - - - - -	7,500
4. Algernon Attwood - - - - - - -	1,000
5. John Sanguin - - - - - - - -	250
6. Robert Wilson - - - - - - - -	5,000
7. Charles Cooper Preston - - - - - -	1,500
8. Charles Cooper Preston - - - - - -	1,000
9. Algernon Attwood - - - - - - - -	2,500
10. Robert Wilson - - - - - - - -	6,000
£.	49,000

That the said F. G. Hamond is returned in the said subscription list as a subscriber for 7,500*l.* and C. F. Hamond for 5,100*l.*

That the persons described as the provisional directors also appear on the said subscription list as subscribers of the following sums:—

	£.
1. O. T. Alger - - - - - - - - -	1,500
2. W. Borradaile - - - - - - - - -	10,000
3. John Brothers - - - - - - - - -	20,000
4. John Brothers - - - - - - - - -	25,000
5. George Money - - - - - - - - -	10,250
6. Robert Page - - - - - - - - -	10,000
7. Charles Perkins - - - - - - - - -	20,000
8. Thomas Philpotts - - - - - - - - -	20,000
9. Rowan Ronald - - - - - - - - -	20,000
10. Lieutenant-Colonel Skerrett - - - - - - -	10,000

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	£.
11. H. Short	20,000
12. H. Short	10,500
13. John Rodney Stock	1,650
14. John Twells	20,000
15. John Twells	7,500
16. George Walter	20,000
17. George Walter	13,000
18. John Yates	20,000
£.	263,500

That John Brothers, one of the said provisional directors, subscribing 45,000*l.*, is described in the deed as "Lieutenant, R. N."; that George Walter, another of the said provisional directors, and subscribing 33,000*l.*, is or was the secretary to the Greenwich Railway Company; that Henry Short, another director, subscribing 30,500*l.*, is, as your petitioners are informed and believe, the brother-in-law of the said George Walter; that one of the secretaries to the said Deptford and Dover or Kent Railway Company is William Green, residing at No. 2, Paragon-place, in the New Kent-road, county of Surrey; and that Virginia Green, a daughter of the said Wm. Green, is a subscriber for 4,000*l.*; Jane Green, another daughter of the said Wm. Green, is a subscriber for 5,250*l.*; and Eliza Willans, the mother-in-law of the said Wm. Green, is therein also a subscriber for 4,500*l.*

That your petitioners have reason to believe, that part of the said subscriptions of 1,590,150 *l.* subscribed by persons residing in Bristol, Birmingham, Chester, Liverpool and Manchester, are mostly covenanted to be paid by persons of no substance or pecuniary responsibility for the sums attached to their names.

That if such fraudulent and bubble schemes are allowed to enter Parliament with impunity, there is no protection for the property of your petitioners or for the *bonâ fide* credit or the capital of the nation.

That a considerable number of the landowners and occupiers in the said projected line are dissentients.

That your petitioners are willing and able to prove the allegations of this their petition at the Bar or before any Committee of your Honourable House.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray, that your Honourable House will cause this violation of the privileges and Standing Orders of your Honourable House to be inquired into, and grant your petitioners such relief in the premises as your Honourable House shall think proper.

John Chester, Croom's Hill, Greenwich.
David Smith, Blue Still, Greenwich.
Joseph Wright, Croom's Hill, Greenwich.

— No. 7. —

No. 7.
Kent Railway: Petition of Subscribers.

Copy PETITION of Subscribers.

TO the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the undersigned persons who have signed a deed called the Kent Railway Subscribers' Deed and Parliamentary Contract,

Showeth,

That your petitioners were induced, on the 14th day of February instant, to sign the Parliamentary contract and subscribers' agreement in the Kent Railway Company, of which the annexed purports to be prospectuses.

That your petitioners did so execute the said deed at the request of one Jacob Castello for the sum of four shillings.

That your petitioners executed the said Parliamentary contract and subscribers' deed at the office of one Frederick George Hamond, Commercial Hall, Mark-lane.

That your petitioners were not shareholders in the said Kent Railway Company at the time of so doing.

That your petitioners signed the said subscribers' deed for large sums of money, being informed at the time by a person in Mr. Hamond's office, that there was no responsibility in doing the same.

That your petitioners are informed, in having executed the said deeds, they have incurred a serious responsibility.

That

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That your petitioners are also informed that they have no other tribunal to apply to but this Honourable House, a gross fraud having been committed on its honour and dignity, as will appear by the production of the deeds.

Your petitioners therefore pray, that this Honourable House will allow your petitioners to go before the Committee appointed or to be appointed by this Honourable House to take into consideration the same, with a view to discharge your petitioners from their liability on the said deeds, your petitioners having been imposed upon.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

Richard Spencer, 27 Baldwin-street, City-road.
Thomas Yeakell, 9 Pownall-terrace, Kensington.
Gorman Issit, 55 Gloucester-street, Bloomsbury.
William Hatchwell, 36 Wilson-street
J. Hirst, 2 Sherborne-lane.
William Watson, 12 Cooper-row, Tower Hill.

— No. 8. —

No. 8. Kent Railway: Petition of Directors.

Copy PETITION of the DIRECTORS of the KENT RAILWAY COMPANY.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Directors of the Kent Railway Company,

Sheweth,

THAT a petition has been presented to your Honourable House reflecting on the conduct of your petitioners as directors of the Kent Railway Company, and otherwise calculated (if not purposely contrived) to injure the said Company in public estimation.

That the said petition having been referred to a Select Committee of your Honourable House on the 22d instant, your petitioners had hoped that an inquiry into the matter of the said petition (which your petitioners most earnestly desire) would have been forthwith entered upon; but your petitioners regret to find, from the Votes of your Honourable House, that the appointment of the said Select Committee is postponed till Wednesday next, the 1st of March, which delay cannot fail to prove highly injurious to the interests of the said Company.

Your petitioners therefore feel it their duty, on behalf of the said Company, humbly to pray that the said Select Committee may be appointed at the earliest possible time consistent with the rules of your Honourable House, and that your petitioners may be allowed, without further delay, to meet the allegations against your petitioners and the said Company, contained in the said petition, by themselves, their counsel, agents and witnesses.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Thomas Millpons.

W. Borradaile.	J. R. Stock.
Row. Ronald.	John Yates.
J. M. Skerrett.	Benjamin Eves.
Robert Page.	Charles Perkins.
John Brothers.	George Walter.
H. Short.	Owen Talger.

— No. 9. —

No. 9. Deptford and Dover Railway: Petition of F. G. Hamond, Esq.

Copy PETITION of *F. G. Hamond*, Esq. against DEPTFORD and DOVER RAILWAY.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of *Frederick George Hamond*, of Greenwich, in the county of Kent, Esq.

Sheweth,

THAT your petitioner, residing at Greenwich, became interested in extending the advantages of railroad communication from the terminus of the London and Greenwich Railroad to distant parts of Kent, and in consequence thereof he and his family became shareholders to a large amount in the Kent Railway Company from London to Dover, *viâ* Greenwich, and duly executed the deeds, which it was represented to him to be requisite for the subscribers to that undertaking to execute, in order to put themselves under a *boná fide* liability to the extent of the amount of their share of capital in the Company.

That the directors and managers of the Company were men of the highest character and honour, and that they, as well as the bankers of the Company, their friends, family and connexions, together with a great number of opulent and influential men, subscribed largely to the undertaking, and duly executed the deeds entailing upon them responsibilities equal to the amount

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Deptford and Dover Railway: Petition of F. G. Hamond, Esq.

amount of their subscriptions; and that for these reasons, and from any circumstance which came within the knowledge of your petitioner, he believed, and still believes it to be a *bonâ fide* undertaking of great national utility, and promising considerable pecuniary profit to the subscribers, and that the parties engaged in it intended and still fully intend to execute the work, if the permission of the Legislature can be obtained for the passing of the Bill for that purpose; and, in short, there is no truth whatever, as far as the knowledge and belief of your petitioner extends, in the imputations which have been thrown out against the good faith of the said undertaking.

That your petitioner has been informed, that petitions have been laid on the table of your Honourable House, in which the name of your petitioner is more than once mentioned, and which contains statements, the object of which appears to be to raise imputations against the character of your petitioner, among others, and to affect him with a breach of the privileges of your Honourable House; that your petitioner is most anxious to have an opportunity of defending himself from such imputations.

Your petitioner, therefore, humbly prays, that he may be heard by himself, his counsel, agents and witnesses, on the matters of the said petitions, before any Committee to which your Honourable House may refer the consideration of the said petitions.

And your petitioner shall ever pray, &c.

Frederick George Hamond.

— No. 10. —

APPENDIX TO THE EVIDENCE.

No. 10.
Appendix to the Evidence.

Ordered, 1. A RETURN of the date at which the Kent Railway Company began to issue subscription certificates of that company in exchange for twice the number of subscription certificates of the Gravesend and Dover Railway Companies.

Return, 1. First issue of scrip in exchange took place on the 27th June 1836.

Ordered, 2. A Return stating whether the directors of the Kent Railway Company made any announcement to the public of a time after which they would not receive any application for original shares in the said company; and if so, what was that announcement, and its date?

Return, 2. Copy of notice inserted in papers of 30th April, 1st & 2d May 1836:— "Notice is hereby given that no application for shares in the Kent Railway Company can be received after Monday next, the 2d May. By order of the board, Wm. Green, C. Smith, secretaries."

Ordered, 3. A Return stating how many original shares of the Kent Railway Company were applied for, and by how many applicants:

1st. On any day which may have been fixed and publicly announced by the directors as the last day on which applications for shares would be received.

2d. From the time when such applications began to be raised first down to the 31st January 1837 inclusive.

3d. From the time when such applications first began to be raised down to the time of the lodgment of the Subscription Contract of the said company in the Private Bill Office.

Return, 3.—31,926 shares applied for by 1,174 applicants, viz.

1st. Up to the 2d May, the date limited for application, 31,491 shares were demanded by 1,158 applicants.

2d. Between 2d May and 15th June, the date of appropriation, 435 shares were demanded by 16 applicants.

3d. No application subsequent to the 15th June 1836.

Ordered, 4. A Return stating whether the directors of the Kent Railway Company made any announcement to the public of a time at which letters of appropriation would be issued to applicants for original shares in the said company; and if so, what was that announcement, and its date?

Return, 4. Advertisement inserted in papers of 18th & 20th May 1836:—"Notice is hereby given, that the shares in the Kent Railway Company will be appropriated on Wednesday the 15th June, previous to which date such of the shareholders in the late London and Gravesend and London and Dover Companies as have not yet sent in their applications are requested to inform the secretaries whether, and to what extent, they are desirous of increasing their interest in the new company. By order of the board, Wm. Green, C. Smith, secretaries."

Ordered,

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Ordered, 5. A Return stating how many original shares of the Kent Railway Company were appropriated by any letters of appropriation issued by any officer of the said company:

1st. On any day which may have been fixed and publicly announced by the directors as the day for issuing said letters.

2d. From the time when such letters of appropriation were first issued down to the 31st January 1837 inclusive.

3d. From the time when such letters of appropriation were first issued down to the time when the Subscription Contract of the said company was lodged in the Private Bill Office.

Return, 5. One appropriation only took place, namely, on the 15th June 1836, when 15,598 original Kent shares were appropriated, distinct from those reserved for the holders of shares in the late Gravesend and Dover Companies.

Ordered, 6. A Return stating on how many original shares in the Kent Railway Company the deposit of 2 *l.* per share was actually paid, from the first day on which such deposits began to be raised down to the time when the Subscription Contract of said company was lodged in the Private Bill Office.

Return, 6. Deposit of 2 *l.* per share actually paid on 1,444 original shares in the Kent Railway Company; say 2,888 *l.* sterling.

Ordered, 7. A Return stating when the directors of the Kent Railway first publicly announced that they proposed making Dover, not Ramsgate, the terminus of their line, and giving a copy of any prospectus or advertisement whereby such first announcement was made.

Return, 7. Dover was *originally* one of the proposed termini of the Kent Railway, and was finally announced as such on the 12th October 1836, when an advertisement appeared in the public papers stating that the survey to Ramsgate and Dover was completed, such survey being pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions for that purpose contained in the Parliamentary deed and subscribers' agreement, which authorize the line to "Ramsgate, Sandwich, Deal or Dover, all or either of them."

The following is a copy of the advertisement alluded to in the above:

"*Kent Railway Company.*—The engineer having completed the survey of the Kent line, the directors are enabled to point out the course it will take. The line will leave the Greenwich Railroad at Deptford, and pass through Greenwich, Woolwich, a little to the north of Dartford, over the Medway half a mile above Rochester Bridge, close to Sittingbourne and Canterbury, through Fordwich to Ramsgate, with a branch a little west of Sandwich to Deal, and before entering Deal the line proceeds to Dover.

"The distances by the proposed line are, to Rochester, 29 ½ miles; Canterbury, 57 miles; Ramsgate, 73 miles; Deal, 75 miles; Dover, 83 miles.

"With the exception of three-eighths of a mile at Greenwich, where the gradient is 1 in 127, and two miles where it is 1 in 300, no gradient will exceed 1 in 330, or 16 feet per mile.

"From Greenwich to beyond Gravesend, except at one point, also from Canterbury to within a mile of Ramsgate, and from Canterbury to Deal and to Dover, will be nearly level.

"Near the crossing of the river Medway is a curve of three-quarters of a mile radius; excepting this, the smallest radius will be a mile.

"Near Ramsgate will be a tunnel a quarter of a mile long, and the whole length of tunnelling throughout the line is not likely to exceed a mile and a half in four separate tunnels, with the advantage of lighting and airing even these short lengths.

"By order of the Board,

"Kent Railway Offices, No. 76, Cornhill, 12 October 1836." "*Wm. Green, C. Smith*, Secretaries."

N.B.—The prospectus, of which a copy is attached to this Return, was issued on the 1st November, and bears that date.

PROSPECTUS of the Kent Railway from London to Dover, *viâ* Greenwich, Woolwich, Dartford, Gravesend, Strood, Rochester, Chatham, Sittingbourne, Faversham, Canterbury, Sandwich and Deal; also to Ramsgate.

Capital, 2,000,000 *l.*, in 40,000 Shares of 50 *l.* each.—Deposit, 2 *l.* per Share.

Provisional Directors:—Lieut.-Colonel Sir A. Leith Hay, K.C.C.S. M.P.; Peter Hesketh Fleetwood, esq. M.P.; William Pinney, esq. M.P.; Owen T. Alger, esq.; William Borradaile, esq.; John Brothers, esq.; Edward Hughes, esq.; George Money, esq.; Robert Page, esq.; Charles Perkins, esq.; Thos. Phillpotts, esq.; Rowand Ronald, esq.; George Robert Rowe, esq. M.D.; Lieut.-colonel Skerrett; Henry Short, esq.; John Rodway Stock, esq.; John Twells, esq.; George Walter, esq.; John Yates, esq.

Bankers:—Messrs. Spooner, Attwoods & Co.

Solicitors:—James Vallance, esq.; Messrs. Currie & Woodgate; A. H. Macdougall, esq.

Engineers:—James Walker, esq. F.R.S. L. & E.; Alfred Burges, esq.

Secretaries:—William Green, esq.; Colin Smith, esq.

Surveyor:—George Smith, esq.

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The Kent Railway will connect the Government dock-yards and garrisons, the populous towns and districts, and the principal ports in the county of Kent, with the metropolis.

The line selected by Mr. Walker, the engineer, as will be seen on reference to the annexed plan, is in continuation of the Greenwich Railway at Deptford, and will pass through Greenwich, Woolwich, Erith, Dartford, Gravesend, Rochester, Sittingbourne, Ospringe, Canterbury, Fordwich, and upon the south side of the River Stour, near Ash, where the line divides into two parts, the one proceeding to Ramsgate by the upper end of Pegwell Bay, and the other *viâ* Sandwich and Deal to Dover, the terminus being in the town, and close to the sea.

The distances to all the towns, except Dover, are nearly the same as by the turnpike-road, viz. from London Bridge to Woolwich, 7 miles; to Gravesend, 21 miles; to Rochester, 29 ½ miles; to Canterbury, 57 miles; to Sandwich, 70 ½ miles; to Ramsgate, 73 miles; to Deal, 75 miles; to Dover, 83 miles.

The features of the line are peculiarly favourable, a length of 50 miles being nearly level; while, with the exception of three furlongs at the junction with the Greenwich Railway, no gradient will exceed 1 in 330, or 16 feet per mile.

All the deep cuttings and principal works, with a single exception, will be in chalk.

It is proposed to pass through Greenwich-park by a tunnel so constructed as to admit of apertures at the side for light and ventilation; through Woolwich by bridges; and over the Medway by a viaduct. Boughton Hill will be avoided by a short deep cutting, or by a short tunnel of from a quarter to half a mile long at Selling, and near Ramsgate will be a deep cutting or a tunnel not more than 400 yards in length; thus, the whole extent of tunnelling is not likely to exceed a mile or a mile and a half, divided into three or four short tunnels at different parts of the line.

In this description of the projected line will be recognised all that can give it value as an investment, and importance as a truly national work. Running through a cultivated and densely-peopled country, embracing in its course the Government dock-yards and garrisons at Woolwich, Chatham, Sheerness and Deal, and affording communication between the metropolis, the towns before enumerated, and the continental ports, the Kent Railway will be found to blend, in no ordinary degree, the objects of public utility and private convenience. It remains for the directors only to state, that the capital being provided by the arrangement under which the property and interest of the late Gravesend and Dover Companies have been transferred to the Kent, they are prepared to approach Parliament in the ensuing session with a case presenting in every respect the strongest claims to legislative protection and support.

Farther information may be obtained at the company's offices, No. 76, Cornhill.

Kent Railway Office, No. 76, Cornhill,
1 November 1836.

W. Green, C. Smith, Secretaries.

SECOND REPORT

FROM THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON

RAILWAY SUBSCRIPTION LISTS;

TOGETHER WITH THE

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE,

AND APPENDIX.

Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway.

Ordered, by The House of Commons, *to be Printed,*
27 *June* 1837.

Mercurii, 22° die Februarii, 1837.

Ordered, THAT a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the matters of several Petitions, complaining of the Names of certain needy and indigent Persons having been inserted in the Subscription Lists of several Railways, and praying for Inquiry into the Case of the Deptford and Dover Railway Subscription List; and to whom several Petitions containing similar allegations were particularly referred.

Martis, 1° die Martii, 1837.

A Committee was nominated of,—

Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Dugdale.
Mr. Brotherton.
Mr. Aaron Chapman.
Mr. Charles Lushington.
Sir Eardley Wilmot.
Mr. Thornely.
Mr. John Young.
Mr. Daniel Gaskell.
Mr. Forster.
Mr. George Evans.

Ordered, THAT the said Committee have power to send for Persons, Papers and Records.

Ordered, THAT Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Mercurii, 19° die Aprilis, 1837.

Order [1st March] that Five be the Quorum of the Committee, read, and discharged.

Ordered, THAT Three be the Quorum of the said Committee.

Ordered, THAT the Committee have power to report their Opinion, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, from time to time, to The House.

Veneris, 21° die Aprilis, 1837.

Ordered, THAT Mr. Dugdale, Sir Eardley Wilmot, Mr. John Young and Mr. George Evans be discharged from further attendance; and that Mr. Chalmers be added to the Committee.

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SECOND REPORT.

THE SELECT COMMITTEE to whom have been referred sundry Petitions respecting the Parliamentary Subscription Contracts of certain Railway Companies, and, among these, the following Petitions respecting the Parliamentary Subscription Contract of the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company; viz.

1st. That of Thomas Green, complaining that certain Persons, not being at the time Shareholders in the said Company, have signed the said Contract, and have been paid Money for so doing: Presented 2 March.

2d. That of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, complaining that certain Persons named in the said Petition, and stated to be Paupers and in a very distressed situation of Life, and not being at the time Shareholders in the said Company, have been induced, for the consideration of 10*s.* each, to sign the said Parliamentary Subscription Contract: Presented 9 March.

3d. That of Richard Spencer, admitting that he, not being at the time a Shareholder in the said Company, had signed the said Contract, and had received the sum of 10*s.* for so doing: Presented 15 Mar.

4th. That of the Directors of the said Company, denying that they, by themselves or their agents, directly or indirectly, have authorized, sanctioned or been party, privy to, or cognizant of any such Transactions as those referred to in the three preceding Petitions: Presented 14 Mar.

And who were empowered to report their Observations, together with the MINUTES of EVIDENCE taken before them from time to time, to The House;——HAVE taken Evidence on the matters adverted to in the said Petitions, or having reference thereto; and have heard the Observations made on such Evidence by the Agents of the Petitioners 2d and 4th above mentioned; and, after considering the whole of the Premises, have agreed to the following REPORT:

IN this their Second, as in their First Report, Your Committee will begin by stating the principal facts of the case which appear to them to stand in evidence.

The project of forming a Company to obtain an Act of Parliament for making a Railway from Westminster Bridge, through Kennington, Camberwell and Peckham to Deptford, was set on foot in the beginning of April 1836. In the first prospectus of the Company, which was issued on the 19th of that month, it was announced that the estimated cost of the Undertaking was 700,000*l.*, which sum it was proposed to raise in 14,000 shares of 50*l.* each; the deposit to be 2*l.* per share. 6119 to 6122.

The limit announced in this prospectus for receiving applications for shares was the 30th of April; but pursuant to an advertisement which was issued on the 23d of April, this limit was further restricted to the 25th of April. 6336.

Exclusive of applications which were irregular as to form, the total number of applicants on the latter day was 968, and the number of shares they applied for was 39,394.

The appropriation of shares was completed on the 25th of April, when 9,240 shares were allotted to 402 persons; and it was then agreed to reserve 3,000 shares for parties having property on the Line of the Railway, and of the remaining 1,760 shares to make an absolute reserve. Letters of appropriation were sent to the allottees on the 26th of April, requiring them to pay their deposits on the 27th and 28th; and the deposits actually paid on those two days
7343. amounted to 8,272*l.*

The estimate of the Undertaking, as deposited in the Private Bill Office, was 665,000*l.*, of which one moiety, *i. e.* 332,500*l.*, at least, is required by the Standing Orders to have been subscribed prior to the presentation of the Petition for the Bill. On the 6th of February last 7,091 shares, amounting in money to 354,550*l.*, had been subscribed for, on which deposits, amounting to 14,182*l.*, had been paid. The copy of the Subscription Contract was deposited in the
6173. Private Bill Office on the 10th of February; and, including some few signatures which occur more than once, it contains the names of 246 persons, subscribers for 7,771 shares, amounting in money to 388,550*l.* On the 22d of April last 8,486 shares had been subscribed for by 251 persons, from whom deposits, amount-
7339. ing to 16,972*l.*, had been received.

From the first formation of the Company in April 1836 until the month of January in the present year, the measures taken by the directors towards the formation of the Company appear to have been unexceptionable. To prevent the shares, when allotted in the first instance, from falling into the hands of parties whose probable object in applying for them was an immediate sale of their
6145. 6153, 6154. interest, the directors consulted Mr. E. B. Brown, a highly respectable stock-broker, with whose assistance they selected from among the applicants those
8794. 6231. persons whose pecuniary responsibility was presumed to be the greatest. Further, in case of any allottee assigning his interest in his shares, they refused to allow any assign of such allottee to sign the deed. The estimate deposited in the Private Bill Office, was the result of a detailed investigation of the quantities and cost of the works in contemplation.

In this unexceptionable course of conduct the directors appear to have persevered as above stated, until some time in January last; about which time, ac-
8796, 8797. cording to the statement of their solicitor, Mr. Hoppe, money becoming scarce, and there being a difficulty in placing shares, 'they could not be so straight-laced as
8709. they were at first.' On the 31st of January last, at a meeting of the Board of Directors, it was resolved, 'that every exertion be made to place the reserve of
8689. shares, on the Line or elsewhere, without delay.' At the same time instructions
9594. 9639. were given to every officer of the Company, and among the rest to Mr. Price, the engineer of the Company, to use every exertion in placing shares: and after
8868. this meeting of the directors, it was communicated to Mr. Powell, the secretary of the Company, that some friends of Mr. Price would become shareholders to a large amount. Who those friends were will appear in the sequel.

8377. 9545. 8375. 9544. At the end of last year, or at the beginning of the present, Mr. Price states that he asked Mr. William Gibbs, with whom he has been acquainted for many
8369. years, to take some of these shares. Mr. W. Gibbs is a person without any fixed
8514. occupation. His taking of shares in any company is disapproved of by his brother, Mr. Joseph Gibbs, the civil engineer, who cannot answer whether W. Gibbs
9833. 9838. has means to pay the deposits on the shares he has taken in this Company, which

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are 1,005 in number, and amount in money to 50,250*l.* Price states that he was induced to apply to Gibbs from having always supposed that he had some very extensive monied connexions, who were likely to take shares. Gibbs accounts in the following manner for Price's requesting him to take shares: "I have assisted Price, and Price has assisted me, in promoting objects in the country. As Price had got rid of shares for some friends of mine, he asked me to assist him in taking some of these shares." Price said he could strongly recommend the undertaking to Gibbs and his friends; he was quite sure it would be a good thing. Gibbs, amongst his friends, might easily take from 800 to 1,000 shares; by recommending them he would be serving himself and them. He could pledge himself, that if they did not want to sell the shares, but chose to hold them for investment, they could not possibly lose by them. Price, if Gibbs required it, would guarantee, that by exerting himself to promote the interests of the Company, he should not be a loser. Although things appeared gloomy, yet it was important Gibbs should render Price some assistance.

9545. 9596. 8375, 8376. 8376. 8398. 8401. 8398. 8400. 9547. 9545. 8401. 9547. 8376. 8398. 8533.

At first, Gibbs refused to take so large a quantity of shares. Price saw him on the subject a great number of times; he hesitated for a long while; at length, about a week or a fortnight after the first communication made to him, he said he would take an interest in the Undertaking, to the extent proposed, on the part of himself and friends.

8376. 9551. 9549.

Gibbs says, that in a great measure to serve Price, he recommended certain relatives of his of the name of Cantrell, residing in Derbyshire and Lancashire, to take the shares. The instructions he received from them were, that if he saw anything in the market likely to benefit them, he might take advantage of it, and they would take any number of shares that he should recommend. Before he took the shares, he received no instruction from them, or either of them, what the number or nature of the shares should be that he was to procure for them; nor since he has taken the shares, have they, or either of them, been informed by him what number of shares he has set apart for them. He has told them that he has got some shares for them; he will tell them what the number is when he goes down to them, which he expects to do shortly; and if they object to take them, he must keep them. He did not take the shares to speculate in them. They have gone down very much in price, which is an unfortunate thing for him, as he is largely embarked in it.

8375. 8381 to 8386. 8387. 8392. 8396. 8388. 8391. 8397.

Price informed Gibbs, on his agreeing to take shares, that in paying the deposits he might study his own convenience; he might have the shares just as it suited him. Price supplied Gibbs from time to time with scrip-certificates, by taking them, as he states he was authorized to do, out of the Company's chest; but on these occasions he made no entry in any book of the Company of the number he took. Gibbs used in return to pay or transmit to Price the deposit money on these shares, as it suited his convenience.

9547. 9584. 9586. 8402, 8403, 8404, 8405. 9548. 9572.

The number of shares supplied to Gibbs, in respect of which these payments are stated to have been made, is 1,005; the deposit money on which amounts to 2,010*l.* Neither Price nor Gibbs, as they severally state, have kept any memorandum, or are able to furnish any account of the manner or times of paying the several sums which make up that amount; nor is the secretary of the Company able to supply that information. Mr. Price avers that he has not been privy to providing Gibbs with pecuniary means of paying the deposit money on these 1,005 shares.

8464. 9699. W. Gibbs's letter, *vide* Appendix. 9560 to 9571.

A morning or two before the 10th of February, the day on which the deed was to be lodged in the Private Bill Office, Price informed Gibbs, that as the time for depositing that instrument was now at hand, he must request Gibbs to sign for the shares which he had taken. Gibbs replied that he had a very strong

8388. 8418. 9554.

objection to sign anything of the kind, and could not do it; giving also as
9556. a reason for declining to sign, that the shares he had taken were not for himself, but for his friends. Gibbs admits that he knew at the time when he gave that reason for not signing the deed himself, that the friends for whom he says he
8504. took the shares, were not to be prevailed upon by any consideration in the world to sign the deed. Mr. Price, according to his own statement, rejoined, that as
9558. Gibbs had taken the shares, he ought either to sign himself, or to induce those friends for whom the shares were taken, to do so. But according to Mr. Gibbs's
8418. version of what passed, Mr. Price rejoined, that this was a very serious thing for him, for they had no time to get the deed sent to any of their friends in the
8418. 8439. country; that Gibbs, if he would not sign himself, must get some persons to sign for him; and this, Gibbs said, he would endeavour to effect. He never
9599. stated to Price who his friends were. Gibbs then proposed, that as business would prevent his quitting the office in Bucklersbury, where he was then staying,
8507, 8508. the deed, instead of being signed at the Company's office, should be sent for signature to Bucklersbury: those parties that he could, he would prevail upon to
9599. sign there; and to others he would go round along with Mr. Hoppe's clerk. On the subject of this proposal Mr. Price undertook to confer with Mr. Hoppe, the solicitor to the Company.

8685, 8686. 9601. Price at this conference informed Mr. Hoppe that Gibbs had taken or disposed of a great quantity of shares, for which, in number about 1,000, Mr. Hoppe was to obtain signatures; that on nearly all these shares the deposits had been paid, and on the rest the deposits would be forthcoming; that Gibbs, for his convenience, wished the deeds to be sent to him in Bucklersbury.

8683. Mr. Hoppe on the following morning had an interview with Gibbs, for the purpose, as Mr. Hoppe states, of ascertaining whether Gibbs, or his friends in the country, were going to sign the deed. Gibbs informed Mr. Hoppe that he
8683. was going to get it signed immediately, and that if brought to Bucklersbury by Mr. Hoppe's clerk, it should be attended to in the course of that day. In con-
8676. sequence of this, Hoppe instructed his clerk, Mr. T. H. Paine, to take the deeds
8124. 8126. to Bucklersbury, and there to take signatures from such parties as Mr. Gibbs
8722. might desire. Mr. Hoppe says, that he was not then aware whether Gibbs him-
8745. self, or other parties, intended to sign; though he expected, and would have preferred, that other parties should do so, as he does not like to see large amounts
8722. to a Parliamentary deed. He says, it is a customary thing for other parties than those who have taken shares, to sign.

Accordingly, Mr. Paine took the deeds to a house in Bucklersbury; and with
8054. 8129. the deeds a note, in which Mr. Hoppe informed Gibbs "that the bearer had the
8079. 8095. 8210. deeds, and waited his instructions." On the presentation of this note, Gibbs observed, that in consequence of his objecting to sign the deed himself, some
8134. 8065. friends of his were going to sign it for him. He directed Paine to go to an office in the next house, at No. 24, Bucklersbury, to which he said he would bring the
8064. 8138. parties he wished to sign the deed for him.

8048. Paine attended to take their signatures in Bucklersbury on two successive days.

8420. 8467, 8468. It remains to be stated who those parties who signed were. Gibbs had been in the habit, as he states, of conversing, on the Royal Exchange, with a person named John Lee Jacobs, whose name he did not know, but who was always represented to him as being a dealer in shares. To this person Gibbs applied,
7778, 7779. 7819. 8420. to get the deed signed for him, stating that he held a great many shares in a Railway Company; that he had been required to sign the deed, and had a great objection to do so; and that it was important it should be done as quickly

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as possible. Jacobs replied, "I will get it done for you directly. When do you wish them to do it? I will send some parties down. You must give them something for their expenses. They will expect something for some little dinner, or anything of that sort." Gibbs rejoined, that he had no objection to do that; that he would rather pay something than run any risk in signing the deed; and accordingly it was agreed between them, that Jacobs should send some parties that afternoon, and the rest at 11 o'clock the following morning, to No. 24, Bucklersbury, where a person should attend with the deeds. Gibbs handed cards to Jacobs, on which was written the number of the house in Bucklersbury, which Jacobs was to deliver to the parties he might send to sign. 8421. 8494. 7808.

Jacobs states, that, in pursuance of this arrangement, he applied to several persons, share-jobbers on the Royal Exchange, to whom he gave cards, requesting them to attend in Bucklersbury in order to sign the deed. He made no selection of them. He knows not how poor or how rich they are. He told them they should be remunerated for their trouble, and should also have some shares when they called for them. Among the parties he applied to was William Robinson Chamberlain, a dealer in shares, whom he requested to sign the deed, and to apply to other jobbers to get it done. Jacobs introduced Chamberlain to Gibbs, who also requested Chamberlain to obtain signatures to the deed. Jacobs gave some of the cards to Chamberlain, which he distributed among the jobbers. 7848, 7849. 7805, 7806. 7776. 7785. 7423. 7444.

In consequence of this application, Chamberlain went himself to Bucklersbury, where he signed the deed as a subscriber for 50 shares, 2,500*l.*, 100*l.* deposit, and was paid by Mr. Gibbs 10*s.* for so doing. He did not pay the deposit. He is not able to pay the instalments on 2,500*l.* He acted as an agent for others, and they will find the money. It has been the rule in Railways for parties to get others to sign for them. On the coming out of this Company, he applied for 10 shares, and had five allotted to him. Jacobs says he has had some large transactions with Chamberlain, whom he does not believe to be a rich man, but honest. 7391. 7458. 7391. 7456. 7486.

Besides signing the deed himself, Chamberlain applied, in pursuance of the request made to him, to several other parties to sign the deed; to some of whom Jacobs also made application; and they engaged to do so at 10*s.* a head. These parties were Charles Fraser, John Crosbie Henderson, Richard Spencer, Benjamin Day, John Henry Morgan, George Broad, Francis Newcombe, Charles Haley, Vernon Prankard, William Algernon Piercy, John Jackson, A. H. Salem, and Richard Lee. Of these, R. Spencer paid 1*s.* to Chamberlain, as a commission for being recommended to sign the deed. Charles Haley, one of the last-mentioned parties, informed Richard Rickards, a carpenter, that he might have, for signing the deed, half a sovereign, and a portion of the shares if they ever came to a premium. Rickards signed accordingly at Bucklersbury, and received from Gibbs 10*s.* for so doing. 7851, 7852. 7445. 7587 to 7605. 6930. 9747.

Besides the abovementioned, there were certain other parties whom Gibbs induced to sign the deed, without the instrumentality of Jacobs or Chamberlain. Gibbs met on the Royal Exchange, by mere accident, Joseph Garland, who is officer to the Sheriffs of London, and with whom he has long been acquainted. To Garland, Gibbs stated, that it was requisite to have the signatures of a few more persons to make up the number to a Parliamentary deed; and he requested Garland to procure for him two or three other persons to sign that instrument, as no responsibility would attach to those who did so. He gave tickets to Garland, promising that if the parties would call in Bucklersbury the 8373. 8500. 8801. 8820.

following morning, and there sign the deed, they should receive 10*s.* each for their trouble. On the faith of this assurance, Garland sent two of his assistants, Henry Penny and Richard Phillips, and William Simpson, brother to another of his assistants, to Bucklersbury, where they each signed the deed, and received 10*s.* each for so doing. He would not have sent men like these, had he known they were to be responsible.

James Gardiner is a Scotch factor, whom Gibbs asked to go and sign the deed; which he did for 50 shares, 2,500*l.*, deposit, 100*l.* He is not in a condition to take these shares. He did not receive money for signing.

James Andrews is brother-in-law to Gibbs, and is father to Henry George Andrews, a minor. Gibbs asked him and his son (Gibbs's nephew), the minor, to sign the deed at Bucklersbury, which they both did, the father receiving 10*s.* from Gibbs for so doing, the son not receiving any recompense. James Andrews sees some of the family of Gibbs, his brother-in-law, every day.

The number of shares, in the aggregate, which the above-mentioned and other parties are admitted to have signed for in Bucklersbury, by the procuration of William Gibbs, was 1,005, representing, in monied amount, the sum of 50,250*l.* Of these parties, the following were proved or admitted, in the course of this inquiry, to have received 10*s.* each for signing the Parliamentary deed, viz.:

W. R. Chamberlain, who signed for	50	shares	£. 2,500
Charles Fraser — ditto	30	—	1,500
John Crosby Henderson — ditto	30	—	1,500
Richard Spencer — ditto	30	—	1,500
Benjamin Day — ditto	50	—	2,500
John Henry Morgan — ditto	15	—	750
George Broad — ditto	80	—	4,000
Francis Newcombe — ditto	40	—	2,000
Charles Haley — ditto	30	—	1,500
Vernon Prankard — ditto	30	—	1,500
W. A. Piercy — ditto	15	—	750
John Jackson — ditto	50	—	2,500
A. H. Salem — ditto	40	—	2,000
Richard Lee — ditto	15	—	750
R. Rickards — ditto	30	—	1,500
R. Philips — ditto	25	—	1,250
W. Simpson — ditto	25	—	1,250
Henry Penny — ditto	25	—	1 250
James Andrews — ditto	50	—	2,500
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The two following did not receive any money:

H. G. Andrews is a minor, and signed for	70	—	3,500
Jas. Gardiner (as nominee of W. Gibbs) signed for	50	—	2,500
	780	—	39,000

The following parties, it is admitted, signed also at Bucklersbury for shares in which, not they, but W. Gibbs has an interest; but precisely under what circumstances does not appear in evidence.

J. Vundult — signed for	25	—	1,250
T. A. Gore — (This person paid 10*s.* to Richard Philips for signing the deed) — ditto	40	—	2,000

R. Fry

R. Fry -	(Did not appear to his summons before the Committee) - -	ditto	50 shares - - - - £. 2,500
M. R. Garrott - - - - - - - -		ditto	30 — - - - - - 1,500
S. Crocker - - - - - - - - -		ditto	15 — - - - - - 750
W. Allinson - - - - - - - - -		ditto	25 — - - - - - 1,250
S. Barnes -	(Did not appear to his summons before the Committee) - -	ditto	40 — - - - - - 2,000
			1,005 shares - - - £. 50,250

Of these parties, Richard Spencer, George Broad, Francis Newcombe and Richard Lee are included in the list of persons who signed the Subscription List of the Deptford and Dover Railway Company, and received the sum of 4*s.* each for so doing. Benjamin Day and Francis Newcombe applied to the directors for shares on the first institution of this Company, and did not receive any allotment. John Jackson applied for 20 shares, and was allotted only 10. William Robinson Chamberlain, John Crosby Henderson, Richard Spencer, Charles Haley, A. H. Salem, Richard Lee, Richard Rickards, and James Gardiner, admit that their pecuniary circumstances are such as either not to admit of their paying the deposit on the shares, or the instalments on them. 6772. 7039. 7043. 7152.

John Crosby Henderson, Benjamin Day, Charles Haley and Richard Lee, appear to consider that they are entitled to claim the shares they have signed for, or a portion of them, if they think proper so to do. If the shares should rise to a premium, they would take theirs up; but not if they fall to a discount.

What passed in the room in Bucklersbury, when these parties came there to sign, was nearly as follows:—A quarter of an hour after Paine's arrival at the room, on the first day of his attendance, Gibbs entered, accompanied by several of the parties, who came, as Gibbs said, to do an act of friendship for him. On that evening or the following morning, when Paine and Gibbs were in the room, eight or ten of the parties "arrived nearly altogether," of whom some few said that they came from Mr. Jacobs. To these Gibbs said that he was obliged to them and to Mr. Jacobs. John Crosby Henderson, Francis Newcombe, Charles Haley, and A. H. Salem, were severally informed, in the room, what number of shares they were to sign for. Charles Haley says, that the clerk in the office (Mr. Paine) told him what number of shares he was to sign for. Richard Richards says, that on his attaching the description of "Builder" to his name, Gibbs observed, "That will do; put down 30 shares." Mr. Paine attested the signatures of the parties, and filled in against the signatures the monied amount of the subscriptions and of the deposits. No deposits were received by Paine from any of these parties; he presumed that those who signed the deed, had paid their deposits, because those parties had done so who had signed the deed in the first instance. Paine was not informed by Gibbs whether he or they had paid the deposits. Paine did not know whether they were shareholders or not; he did not deliver to them any scrip-certificates. To each of the parties who signed, and to whom, as has been already stated, money was paid after they had affixed their signatures, Gibbs, on their going out of the room, in the passage, mostly, or on the staircase, gave 10*s.* One of the parties only, Charles Haley, states that he received the money in the room. Gibbs states, however, that Paine neither saw him pay money to any of the parties, nor was informed by him that he had done so; and he adds, that he studiously sought to conceal the fact of this payment from Paine, from an apprehension lest, were it discovered, he might be required himself to sign the deed. 8064. 8138. 8140. 8143. 8424. 8167. 8172. 8173. 8176, 8164. 8427. 8431. 8430, 8431.

8755. 8723. 8726. 8749. 8715, 8716. Before the deed was sent to Bucklersbury, the signatures it contained were those of parties most of whom were known to Mr. Hoppe as being highly respectable. When Mr. Paine returned with it to the office, Mr. Hoppe remarked to Mr. Paine that he did not like the appearance of the signatures; but he did not communicate to the directors what his thoughts were on this subject; nor from the day on which those signatures were affixed until the presentation of Green's petition, which was on the 2d of March, did he make any inquiry who the parties were who had thus signed the deed. If money had been paid to any parties for signing the deed, it had been done without the consent or privity of himself or of the directors.

Your Committee will now proceed to offer a few observations on the facts of the present case. Your Committee have already stated that from the first institution of the Company down to some time in January last, when the directors began to relax in that strictness which they had before observed in respect of the Subscription List, their conduct appears to have been unexceptionable. On the 31st of January they passed their resolution, and gave instructions to their officers, to use every exertion in placing shares; a measure which, considering that the time of giving those instructions was one of great difficulty in the money market, and that the shares of the Company were barely at par, was calculated to give rise to want of circumspection on the part of their officers in finding persons to take shares.

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In pursuance of those instructions, Mr. Price appears about this time to have commenced his negociation with Mr. Gibbs for placing shares in the hands of that gentleman; though, from the admission of Mr. Gibbs himself, and from the statement made by his brother, it appears very doubtful whether his circumstances were of a nature to enable him, from his own resources, to meet, without distressing himself, the payment of the deposit upon so large a number of shares as 1,005. A few days only before the deposit of the deed, Mr. Price was made aware, and informed the solicitor of the Company, Mr. Hoppe (who received the same information from Mr. Gibbs also) that Gibbs strongly objected to sign the deed himself, and intended, if he was able, to procure some friends to sign the deed for him. No question was put to Gibbs by Mr. Price or Mr. Hoppe, who those friends were; though Mr. Hoppe admits that he was aware of its being a prevailing practice, (as the investigations of Your Committee have but too clearly shown that it was,) for parties to employ others to sign deeds for them. A clause in the subscriber's agreement, which specially provides, that a deposit of 2 *l.* per share shall be paid by each subscriber at the time of his executing the agreement, made it especially the duty of the solicitor of the Company, out of regard to the rights of the other subscribers, to see that no signature was affixed to the deed without complying with that condition. If the signing of the deed had been effected by Mr. Gibbs's friends at the office of the Company, under the eyes of the solicitor, or of the secretary to the Company, some opportunity would have been afforded to those officers to judge, from the appearance of the parties proposing to sign, of their respectability; and, if necessary, to interrogate them. In that case it would have been discovered that some of the parties whom Gibbs had procured to sign, were persons who, on the first formation of the Company, had applied for, and had been refused shares. But instead of this measure of precaution, the deed was sent for signature, under the care of Mr. Hoppe's clerk, to an office chosen for the purpose by Mr. Gibbs himself. The signing at that office took place on two successive days; on the first of which occurrences took place which, coupled with the appearance of the parties, might reasonably have been expected

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to have awakened in Mr. Paine's mind a suspicion that those who came to sign the deed were not *bonâ fide* shareholders; besides which, Mr. Paine, in attesting the signature of the parties, certified likewise that the deposits were paid by them; whereas it is in evidence that not a single deposit so certified was in reality paid by the parties then signing.

No circumstance has come out in evidence which attaches to the directors of the Company, or to any of them, any direct personal cognizance of those proceedings at Bucklersbury in which Mr. Gibbs was concerned. It appears, however, to Your Committee, as these irregular proceedings are attributable to the lax instructions given by the directors to their officers, that for the conduct of those officers the directors ought to be held responsible; and also for the conduct of the agents of those officers, when acting in pursuance of the orders given to them by the officers themselves. Your Committee therefore consider that the directors ought to be held responsible for the acts of Mr. Price, Mr. Hoppe and Mr. Paine, which have occasioned the affixing to the deed of colourable, and not real subscriptions to the extent of 1,005 shares, or of 50,250*l.*

It has been represented, on the part of the directors, that admitting that the subscriptions of the whole of these 1,005 shares, deserve to be rejected, if these be deducted from the 7,771 shares, which was the number subscribed on the lodgment of the list in the Private Bill Office, there will still remain the number of 6,766 shares not liable to any objection; and since this exceeds by 116 the number of 6,650 shares required to have been subscribed by the Standing Orders, as corresponding in amount with the half of the estimated cost of the proposed Undertaking, the Bill of the Company ought to be allowed to proceed. To give any opinion on the weight of this representation is not within the province of Your Committee.

27 *June* 1837.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Mercurii, 3° die Maii, 1837.

PRESENT,

MR. WARBURTON, IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. C. Lushington.	Mr. Forster.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. Brotherton.

Mr. *Lord* was heard in support of the Evidence on behalf of the Petitioners.

Mr. *Coppock* replied on behalf of the Company.

Mr. *Thomas Green* applied to be heard.

The Committee resolved:

"That Mr. Green not having appeared at the conclusion of Mr. Lord's observations, although search was made for him in the purlieus of The House, and Mr. Coppock having nearly concluded his reply before Mr. Green's appearance in the room, it would now be irregular to permit Mr. Green to address the Committee without the consent of the agents of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company."

Mr. *Coppock* was asked if he consented to Mr. Green being heard.

Mr. *Coppock* declined doing so.

[Adjourned.

Lunæ, 5° die Junii, 1837.

PRESENT,

MR. WARBURTON, IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. C. Lushington.

Report on the case of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Subscription List, read, considered, and agreed to.

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, DEPTFORD AND GREENWICH RAILWAY.

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WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, DEPTFORD AND GREENWICH RAILWAY.

Jovis, 20° die Aprilis, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Charles Lushington.	Mr. Warburton.

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., in the Chair.

Mr. *Green* appeared in support of his own Petition.

Mr. *Lord* appeared on behalf and in support of the Petition of Mr. *Benjamin Wheeler Poulton.*

Mr. *Coppock* appeared on behalf of the Directors of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company.

The Chairman informed the parties, that he desired it might be distinctly understood by them, that he had no authority to give them any promise that the expense of the inquiry would be defrayed by the Public; but that at the close of the inquiry, the Committee would consider, in each particular case, what recommendation they should make to the Treasury on the subject.

Mr. *John Hill Powell,* called in; and Examined.

Mr. *J. H. Powell.*

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6117. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you live?—At No. 69, York-road.

6118. What office do you hold in the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Green wich Railway Company?—That of secretary.

6119. When were you appointed to that office?—At the commencement of the company, in April, last year; at the formation of the company.

6120. When was it that the company was first formed?—In April last year.

6121. What date in April?—The 5th, I believe.

6122. What is the first document issued by the company in the shape of a prospectus for advertising?—The first document issued by the company was an advertisement, stating the prospectuses would be ready to deliver in a few days after the date of the advertisement.

6123. Have you a copy of that advertisement?—I fear I have not a copy of it at present; I did not receive the notice until I came into this room; it was merely a short advertisement, stating that in the course of two or three days prospectuses would be ready to deliver to the parties who should apply, either at the office of Mr. Hoppe, No. 3, Sun-court, Cornhill, or at the office of E. B. Brown, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street; and by the appointed time prospectuses were prepared and issued.

6124. Can you produce one of the prospectuses issued?—I can produce the only one I have left, which is rather torn [*handed in*].

6125. Well, was this prospectus, an imperfect copy of which you have produced, issued by the authority of the proprietors of the company?—It was.

6126. Who drew this up?—I prepared the original draft; it was submitted to the various parties concerned, and afterwards submitted to the provisional committee, in their name; it received very careful examination, and was approved by them all.

6127. Were the gentlemen composing the provisional committee those whose names are included in this prospectus; namely, Joseph Allen, esquire, Charles Henry Ashley, esquire, George Borradaile, esquire, Captain Joseph Dudman, Henry Eyre, esquire, Thomas D. Rotch, esquire, James F. Saunders, esquire, Joseph Thompson, esquire, and Western Wood, esquire?—Yes.

6128. Who attended upon the first occasion?—All those gentlemen who are named there, and one or two other gentlemen who were invited to attend to consider the matter.

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6129. Who were they?—Mr. Alderman Pirie, I believe, attended for a short time; Mr. Gray, a gentleman who resides at Camberwell, and Mr. Croggan.

6130. Are those gentlemen, who are named in the prospectus as forming the provisional committee, the same gentlemen who now form the provisional committee?—With the exception of one, Mr. Eyre, who, under the expectation of being compelled to go abroad, resigned his seat in the direction: there has been an addition to the provisional committee of two gentlemen, of the names of William Cash, esquire, and Captain William Ewbank.

6131. And these are the only additions?—Yes; two additions and one sub traction.

6132. Were the persons named in the first prospectus as officers or engineers Sir John Rennie and H. H. Price, esquire?—They were.

6133. Who is H. H. Price, esquire?—Henry Habberley Price, of No. 4, Parliament-street.

6134. Was the architect and surveyor named John D. Payne, esquire, 57, Lincoln's-inn-fields?—He was.

6135. The solicitor, Henry Hoppe, esquire, 3, Sun-court, Cornhill, and yourself secretary?—Yes.

6136. And the bankers, Messrs. Glyn, Halifax & Co.?—Yes.

6137. Has any alteration been made since that period in the officers of the Company?—In the retirement, or rather the withdrawal, from the prospectus of the name of Sir John Rennie, who was only considered as advising engineer. I believe there was some objection to his holding an office which was rather nominal than any thing else.

6138. Who is now the engineer?—Henry Habberley Price.

6139. Was any date fixed by any advertisement as the day on which the receiving of applications for shares would be closed?—It was fixed in the original prospectus, and that date was afterwards shortened by advertisement.

6140. What was the date fixed by the original prospectus?—The 30th of April.

6141. What was the time to which it was afterwards advanced?—I think it was shortened about a week, in consequence of the number of applications that were made, and notice was given previously by advertisement.

6142. What was the date that you ultimately fixed for closing the receipt of applications?—The original date was the 30th April, and I think it was afterwards shortened a week; that would be about the 23d April.

6143. What was the number of applications received prior to or by the 23d April?—I cannot speak positively, for I have not counted them; but there was an immense number, I should think at least as many applications as for 40,000 or 50,000 shares.

6144. You will be able to give a precise answer to that question?—Yes.

6145. Who were the parties appointed to appropriate the shares?—The shares were appropriated by the directors themselves, with the assistance of Mr. E. B. Brown, a stockbroker, residing in Angel-court, Throgmorton-street; he was engaged by them to assist in the appropriation of the shares, in order that the shares might be distributed among respectable parties, so as to avoid (as far as it was possible to avoid) the giving of shares to mere sharehunters, who sought them for the purpose of gambling.

6146. How many shares were appropriated on the 23d April?—I cannot answer the question at this moment, but it shall be supplied.

6147. What was the date on which the appropriation was made?—It took more than one or two days, for an investigation was going on; when parties were not known, inquiries were made; but that arose in the preceding week, before the appropriation.

6148. Was any advertisement issued informing the public of the day on which the appropriation would take place?—There was an advertisement issued, informing the public that the number of applications made was such as to cause the time to be limited, and requesting therefore all parties who had applications to make would send them in before a certain day.

6149. I do not ask what was the day upon which the reception of applications was to close; but was there any date fixed by public advertisement announcing the letters of appropriation would be issued on that day?—There was not.

6150. Can you tell what the day was on which letters of appropriation were issued?—I think, to the best of my recollection, it was the 19th and 20th.

6151. You said the 23d of April was the day fixed?—It is a mistake; had I been

I been served with notice, I would have been prepared to answer this question immediately; but it shall be supplied. It was but one or two days before the days required for payment; we gave as short time as possible, in order to prevent the possibility of selling letters.

6152. Was the number of applications for shares much greater than the number of shares issued?—Infinitely greater.

6153. What was the principle the directors adopted for the appropriation of shares?—The presumed respectability of the parties applying for them.

6154. The pecuniary responsibility?—Yes; making just a sufficient reserve for parties on the line.

6155. Now, how many shares were reserved out of the 14,000?—There were more letters of appropriation issued than shares taken up.

6156. About how many letters of appropriation were issued in the first instance?—I should think for about 8,000 or 9,000 shares.

6157. Was it intended to reserve from 5,000 to 6,000 shares for the persons having property along the line?—It was.

6158. That was the object?—It was; the reason for that was on account of the new rules which had just then come out.

6159. Can you give any list of the number of shares for which the directors and officers of the company subscribed?—The list is published; I ought perhaps to state, the directors, at the time of forming the company, subscribed, merely for their qualification, 20 shares each.

6160. What is the number of shares to constitute a qualification?—Twenty shares each.

6161. Were any shares held in reserve for them?—There were some which were considered to be held in reserve for them.

6162. How many were held in reserve for directors?—I cannot state exactly without referring to the minutes; I will supply that.

6163. Now, in the printed list, here are a number of shares attached to the directors; those which they actually held are those which they subscribed for in the first instance?—You will find, generally speaking, the directors who have taken further shares, their names are set down twice.

6164. Can you extract from the list the number of shares which the directors held at the time of the lodgment of the subscribed contract?—I will: Mr. Allen, 20 shares and 80 shares, 20 the original qualification, 80 subsequently subscribed for; Mr. Charles Henry Ashley, 20 shares and 60 shares; Mr. George Borradaile, 20 shares only; Mr. Cash, 20 shares only; Capt. Dudman, 20 shares only; Mr. Eyre, since withdrawn, 20 shares only; Capt. Ewbank, 100 shares originally subscribed, 100 since subscribed; Mr. Rotch, 20 shares only; Mr. Saunders, 20 shares originally, and 180 subsequently; Mr. Thompson, 20 shares originally, and 60 shares subsequently; Mr. Western Wood, 20 shares originally, and 100 subsequently: that is all.

6165. Has any prospectus, subsequent to the first, been issued by the company?—Yes.

6166. What is the date of it?—The prospectus itself is not dated; but it was issued just about the time of our coming to Parliament, the beginning of February in this year.

6167. Does it vary in any material particular?—It states the particulars of the traffic, from actual observation.

6168. What is the amount of the subscription contained in the subscription contract, as lodged in the Private Bill Office?—£. 388,550, representing 7,771 shares.

6169. What is the amount of the estimate, as lodged in the Private Bill Office?—The architect, who is here, can better answer that question; but I believe it is 665,000*l.*

6170. In the more recent prospectus, the Parliamentary agents are who?—Messrs. Burke & Venables.

6171. And, in both of the prospectuses, the provisional committee has power to add to its number?—In both.

6172. What is the number of shares on which deposits have been paid, and what is the amount of those deposits?—I think I am speaking correctly, but I can give the amount of deposits paid afterwards; the sum paid, I believe, is 16,222*l.*, consequently the number of shares is 8,111 on which deposit is paid.

6173. What was the date of presenting the petition for the Bill?—The 10th of February, I believe.

6174. In

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6174. In what stage is the Bill now?—Past the second reading.

6175. Do you know what is the date of the second reading?—It is the same date as the petition of Mr. Green, the 7th of March.

6176. Is the Bill now before Committee?—It is not.

6177. That Bill has not been proceeded with?—We did not think it proper to proceed pending this inquiry.

6178. The whole matter therefore has been pending?—It has.

Veneris, 21° die Aprilis, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. C. Lushington.	

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *Richard Lee*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *Richard Lee.*

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6179. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your name?—Richard Lee.

6180. Where do you live?—At No. 6, Kender-street, New-cross, Deptford.

6181. What are you?—I am a stock and share jobber.

6182. Where is it you carry on your business?—Under 'Change, and at the Stock Exchange.

6183. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—No.

6184. Are you in the Rotunda?—Sometimes I am there, and sometimes I am in Capel-court.

6185. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you sign the subscription deed to the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway?—I believe I did.

Mr. *Lord* called for the deed; the signature was admitted.

6186. For how many shares did you sign the deed?—If it is the deed I suppose I signed, it was for 15 shares.

6187. Have you any doubt you signed that deed at all?—I have a doubt; but if the deed were present I could soon remove that doubt.

Mr. *Coppock* admitted that the name of Richard Lee, No. 1, Bartholomew-lane, appeared on the deed.

6188. You are the same person as now described by Mr. Coppock?—Yes.

6189. Was any communication made to you to induce you to sign that deed?—There was.

6190. State to the Committee what that communication was?—I was met by a person upon 'Change.

6191. Who was that person?—Mr. Chamberlain.

6192. What did he tell you?—He said they wanted, as I understood, it was this company, he stated they wanted a certain number of persons to sign the deed, and asked if I had any objection to be one.

6193. Did that person state what company he came from?—Certainly not.

6194. *Chairman.*] What were the words, as nearly as you can recollect, that he used to you?—He asked me if I had any objection to sign a deed; I said, certainly not, as it was in my business; to the best of my recollection, I asked him, of course, I said, if the shares go to a premium I shall have a call on them or a part of them.

6195. When was this?—I cannot say.

6196. About the time?—I should think it was since January last.

6197. Mr. *Lord.*] Was it in February?—I really cannot say.

6198. What do you think?—I should think it very likely to have been in it.

6199. Will you take upon yourself to say it was not in March?—I think I can.

6200. Did the person whom you describe as Mr. Chamberlain give you any ticket or card denoting you would receive that money for signing the deed?—Certainly not.

6201. Did

6201. Did he give you any ticket telling you where you were to go to sign the deed?—Certainly not.

6202. Did you receive a ticket from any other person telling you where to go and sign the deed?—I did.

6203. *Chairman.*] Who was that other person?—Mr. Jacobs.

6204. Who is Mr. Jacobs?—He is in the same line as I am, a stock and share jobber; and a most respectable man.

6205. What did Mr. Jacobs say to you?—He merely gave me the card, and I understood what it meant.

6206. What was the nature of the card; what was written or printed upon it?—I think it was about two inches by one-and-a-half, and had a figure upon it.

6207. Was it printed?—No, I think it was written.

6208. Mr. *Lord.*] Whose handwriting was it, do you know?—I cannot say.

6209. Was it given to you quite dry, as if written a long time?—It appeared as if it had been written that day; I cannot swear; I would not swear it was not printed.

6210. What is the Christian name of Mr. Jacobs, who gave you that card?—He is a Jew; I think he has three names; but I only know one, and that is John.

6211. *Chairman.*] He gave you that card?—Yes.

6212. What did he say upon giving it to you?—He did not say anything. I understood what it meant.

6213. What did you understand?—I was to go down and sign the deed, which I did; if it is the same deed we are speaking upon.

6214. Well, on receiving this ticket, what did you then do?—I went to the office in Bucklersbury.

6215. Mr. *Lord.*] Was it the office of the company?—I do not know.

6216. Where was it?—In Bucklersbury.

6217. What number?—I think No. 24.

6218. Have you ever been in the office of the company?—Yes.

6219. Do not you know, of your own knowledge, that 24, Bucklersbury, is not the office of the company?—I did not know then, but I know now.

6220. You know now that the deed you signed had reference to the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company?—Yes.

6221. *Chairman.*] On arriving at Bucklersbury, what passed?—I went into a small back room, where there was a table, and desk upon it, and either two or three gentlemen; two, I think.

6222. What passed?—Nothing passed, except I signed the deed.

6223. Mr. *Lord.*] Did any money pass?—Yes, there was.

6224. How much?—Half a sovereign.

6225. Was that before or after you signed the deed?—After.

6226. Do you know the gentleman who gave it to you?—I do not.

6227. *Chairman.*] Do you know any of the gentlemen who were there?—I do not.

6228. Mr. *Thornely.*] Do you mean by the term, money passed, that money was given to you for signing this deed?—Certainly not; I consider the half-sovereign was for the trouble of going down there.

6229. *Chairman.*] You received half a sovereign?—Certainly; I did not consider that was for the signature; because I expected, if the company had gone on, and the shares had gone to a premium, I should have had some.

6230. Mr. *Lord.*] Have you received any letter from the secretary allotting those shares to you?—Before I signed the deed, I received a letter allotting some shares to me.

6231. Were you a shareholder previously to your signing the deed, or the time you now refer to?—Perhaps you will allow me to correct the last answer; I am not sure whether it was my own letter, but, to the best of my knowledge, I bought two tens and two twenties; when I went to the office they would not let me sign the deed; I do not think it was my own letter; I think it was two letters I bought; and, because it was not my own letter, that was the reason they would not allow me to sign the deed at that time.

6232. Now, did you pay any money for the 15 shares?—No.

6233. You were not a *bonâ fide* shareholder?—I consider I am.

6234. Before you signed the deed for the 15 shares, had you paid any money to this company, or to the secretary?—Certainly not; not upon this signature to the present time. I went formerly, either with ten, twenty, or thirty shares, and offered the money.

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6235. *Chairman.*] Had you paid any deposit-money upon the shares, either into their bankers or to any other person?—Certainly not.

6236. Have you received any letter from the company informing you, pursuant to some application previously made by you, that 15 shares had been allotted to you?—No.

6237. Mr. *Lord.*] Who paid the 10*l.*, or deposit upon those shares, for you?—Which shares?

6238. The fifteen?—I have not paid any deposit.

6239. You mean to say you are not a *bonâ fide* shareholder?—I do consider myself a shareholder.

6240. And yet you have paid no money for deposit?—Decidedly. If I buy an article of goods, they are my own; I am bound to pay for them.

6241. Do not you know that the mode that was pursued with regard to this is totally unusual?—I am not aware of it; I consider it as in my own business.

6242. Did you ever hear of such a case before?—Certainly.

6243. Tell me what case?—I do not see what occasion I have.

6244. *Chairman.*] You have already stated it is not unusual; upon what knowledge or information is it that you state that this is not unusual, to sign deeds without any deposit having been paid?—I certainly have not read the county of Kent deed, but I believe there are many signatures there.

6245. You are speaking of something within your own knowledge?—I cannot say positively.

6246. Did you ever do so in any instance yourself before, sign a deed and constitute yourself a shareholder thereby, without being required previously to pay a deposit on the shares?—Only in the Dover and Kent, not in any other.

6247. Did you do so yourself in that case?—I did.

6248. Without paying the deposit?—Certainly.

6249. Mr. *Lord.*] Were you paid anything to sign the Dover and Kent?—Yes.

6250. How much for your trouble in going down there, as you call it?—I do not know whether it was 4*s.* or 5*s.*, with call of shares, distinctly; and I consider the call of the shares was worth 50*l.* to me: it was a bottle of wine, it was not the money; we chose to take the money for the trouble in walking down to Mincing-lane.

6251. Have you got any account of shares now?—No.

6252. When you signed the deed at 24, Bucklersbury, did you not know of your own knowledge that it was not the office of the company?—I certainly did not; I did not know what company it was, nor I did not ask, for I had perfect confidence in Mr. Jacobs.

6253. Not knowing what company it is in, where are you going to apply for the shares?—If shares should rise, I would soon find out what company it is.

6254. They are now at a discount then?—I should think so.

6255. *Chairman.*] Are you in the habit of signing your name to deeds without knowing of what company those are the deeds?—It is the only one I ever did, that I did not know.

6256. Did you ever say you were ever acquainted with any of the two or three gentlemen who were sitting in the room?—Certainly not.

6257. You did not know who they were?—No; I never saw them before, nor since.

6258. Have you been informed since who they were?—No.

6259. You do not know who they were?—No.

6260. Mr. *Lord.*] You do not know any gentleman that was in the room, but yourself?—There was some one there signing the deed; I do not know who that was; I think I could recollect by the deed.

6261. Mr. *Coppock.*] You do not know who paid the half-sovereign?—No.

6262. Mr. *Lord.*] Was a gentleman of the name of Gibbs in the room?—I do not know that he was.

6263. Do you know a Mr. Gibbs?—I do not.

6264. Do you know a Mr. Gretton?—No.

6265 You do not know any person of the name of Gretton?—No.

6266. Do you know any person of the name of Payne?—No.

6267. You do not know who was the attesting witness to the execution of the deed?—No.

6268. *Chairman.*] Did any person, when you signed, attest the signature?—I do not know; I did not take any particular notice; it was witnessed all at once.

6269. Mr.

6269. Mr. *Lord.*] When you took this number of shares, did you fill any sum of money against your name, as to the number you signed for, and the money they came to?—I think I put it in myself in figures.

6270. Are you sure you did not put in the figures and the sum, or not?—If I am obliged to swear, I should say figures.

6271. Are you not certain?—I only think so.

6272. If the deed were produced, of course, you could identify your own handwriting?—Yes.

6273. *Chairman.*] Is this your description in the signature to the Kent Railway, Richard Lee, No. 1, Bartholomew-lane, London, jobber, 5,500 *l.*?—Yes; and that is the same address.

6274. Mr. *Forster.*] Is No. 24, Bucklersbury, an office or a private counting-house?—It is a very dark place, with very little furniture; it seemed to be a temporary place for the moment.

6275. Was it on the ground-floor?—No, up stairs.

6276. Mr. *Lord.*] Is it an empty house?—I should think not; I only went into that room.

6277. *Chairman.*] Have you, since you signed this deed, done any act as regards the company, showing that they have admitted you to be a shareholder; have you attended any meeting of the company, and acted as a shareholder?—I went there one evening, but some of them were not come, so I did not stay.

6278. Mr. *Lord.*] Where is your residence described in the deed?—Where I am to be found in the city.

6279. Where did you live two months ago?—Kendall-street, New Kent-road.

6280. Is that your description in the city?—No. 1, Bartholomew-lane.

6281. Have you any house there?—I have used the place for 20 years.

6282. Where is it?—The Auction Mart Tavern.

The deed is shown to the Witness, and he says it is his signature.

6283. *Chairman.*] It is stated here, the deposit paid is 30 *l.*; you have stated you have paid no deposit?—I have never paid any.

6284. Have you authorized any person to pay the deposit of 30 *l.* for you?—No; if they have ——

6285. Have you authorized any person to pay?—No.

6286. Mr. *Lord.*] Are you aware that any person has paid it for you?—I consider my shares subscribed.

6287. *Chairman.*] Are you aware of anybody having paid the deposit for you?—No.

6288. Mr. *Lord.*] You have told the Committee you did not know any person in the room?—Since I have seen the deed, I can recollect who was there signing it before me.

6289. Can you recollect anybody who was in the room connected with the company?—No.

6290. You have never heard since they were connected with the company?—Excepting Mr. Salam, who signed previously to me, I think there were only two in the room; I have never seen them before or since.

6291. You say there were two in the room, one of whom was connected with the company?—Yes.

6292. *Chairman.*] Do you know Mr. Payne by sight?—No.

6293. While you were there, did you see a Mr. Payne write his name as witness to your signature?—I think he did.

6294. Did you see any person write the name of Payne opposite your signature?—I cannot say positively he did.

6295. Did you see any person writing his name as a witness to the deed?—I cannot say whether I did or did not; I know there was a gentleman handed me the pen, and witnessed my signature.

6296. Did Mr. Payne put in the figures, in your presence, in the deed?—I think the figures are mine.

6297. *Chairman.*] Are those figures yours?—The 15 shares are mine.

It was admitted the number of shares were in the handwriting of the parties signing; but that the monied amount of the shares, and the amount of the deposit, were not in the handwriting of the parties signing.

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6298. Mr. *Lord.*] Did the figures that were on the ticket mean the number of shares for which you were to sign?—No.

6299. Did you know, when you went to sign the deed, how many you were going to sign for, or was it disclosed to you after you went into the room?—I had not made up my mind; I signed for 15 of my own accord.

6300. Would you have signed for 50?—I cannot say.

6301. Or 100?—It is not likely.

6302. Would you have signed for 50 shares if they had wanted you?—I cannot tell.

6303. *Chairman.*] What passed upon the subject of the number of shares which you should put opposite your name; tell us all about it?—To the best of my recollection, I signed my name.

6304. Well, what passed then?—Then I hesitated whether I should write 20 or 15; I thought 15 would do just as well as 20.

6305. Mr. *Lord.*] What was the cause of your hesitation?—I had no particular cause.

6306. Were you meditating in your own mind how many they wanted you to sign for?—They made no communication to me.

6307. Do you mean to tell the Committee, the figures 15, meaning 15 shares, and the sum of money, is in your own handwriting?—No.

6308. *Chairman.*] Look at this line; there is your name?—I will swear that is my 15.

6309. Mr. *Lord.*] And you did not write the 750?—No; nor yet the 30 that follows it.

6310. Where does Mr. Jacobs live?—I think in Finsbury-square, or near there.

6311. Is it in South-place, Finsbury-square?—I really do not know.

6312. Can you tell me where he is to be found?—Upon 'Change, all day; at least from 11 till 4.

6313. Is he a member of the Stock Exchange?—No.

6314. Mr. *Charles Lushington.*] You stated you were willing to sign, because it was in the way of your business?—Yes.

6315. Did you feel no scruple or anxiety respecting the responsibility which you incurred when you signed for shares to the amount of between 5,000 *l.* and 6,000 *l.*?—None at all.

6316. Now, being merely a matter of business, it is immaterial to you whether you signed for shares to the value of 100 *l.* or 5,000 *l.*?—I considered so when I signed the deed.

6317. You consider, because it is merely in the way of business, it is the same to you whether you sign for shares to the value of 100 *l.* or 5,000*l.*?—Yes; for instance, in this way; if the company do large business and prosper, they might give me a sum upon 100 shares or 500 shares, merely for having served the company.

6318. Mr. *Coppock.*] I hold in my hand a petition, which describes you as being a pauper and a person in a distressed condition of life; that petition is presented by Mr. B. Wheeler Poulton; is that true or not?—It is a direct falsehood.

6319. Is the amount for which your name appears on the Westminster Bridge and Greenwich and Deptford Railway a large or small amount?—A very small amount.

6320. The only parties you have named, with whom you have had any communication on these matters, were Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Jacobs; is that correct?—Yes.

6321. Have you ever had any communication with the company, except the the time when they refused to let you sign the deed upon the original shares appropriated to you?—Never.

6322. Mr. *Lord.*] Has any subscription been got up, within the last 12 months, for you, on account of pauperism?—No.

6323. And there is no person in the room who has subscribed anything for you?—Not to my knowledge.

6324. You do not know that any person on your behalf, in consequence of poverty, has got up a subscription for you?—Certainly not; I never had a subscription got up for me in my life; if you allude to the time when I was ill: I was taken ill in October 1835, and was five or six months a-bed ill; and

a gentleman

a gentleman, in the same way as I am, used to come and see me; and without saying a word to me beforehand, he said he had spoken to several persons who knew me, and he made me a present of 6*l.* or 7*l.* Mr. *Richard Lee.* 21 April 1837.

6325. And you received that money, did you?—Certainly I did.

6326. Knowing it was subscribed for you?—Certainly; it is a very common thing for persons with us, who are ill, to have subscriptions made for them.

6327. Did Mr. Green give any money towards this subscription?—No; I never had one halfpenny from Mr. Green in my life, to my knowledge; I received this sum of money as a present from some friends, on account of being ill for those five months: there was a great deal of business, and I lost 500*l.* by it.

6328. Did Mr. Poulton subscribe?—I do not know.

6329. You did not know any of the persons who did subscribe?—I did not, except Mr. Chapman said a few of our friends have sent you this.

6330. Do you know that Mr. William Robinson Chamberlain got up another subscription for you?—I do not.

6331. Did you never hear of it?—There was 25*s.* that was given me.

6332. This 25*s.*, you say, was got up upon another occasion; did you receive that subscription also?—I did not receive it as a subscription; I considered that, if any friend of mine chose to give me 5*l.*, I might take it without its being considered a subscription.

6333. Did you give the money back?—I did not.

6334. Did you receive this 25*s.* as a subscription?—Decidedly not.

6335. Were you told it was a subscription for you?—Certainly not.

6336. Did you receive it as a donation from him?—I considered it as a gift, and I consider nothing more honourable than a gift, and very far from amounting to pauperism.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Coppock* stated he could supply the deficiencies which were omitted in yesterday's evidence, as follows:

The date of the formation of the company is the 9th April 1836.

The advertisement announcing the same, and that prospectuses were in preparation, the 11th April 1836.

A more detailed advertisement, announcing that prospectuses would be ready the next day, the 18th of April 1836. Time limited in prospectus for application for shares, 30th April 1836. Advertisement limiting the time for the application for shares to the 25th of April, instead of the 30th of April, appeared on the 23d of April. The appropriations were made from the 23d to the 25th of April. The letters of appropriation were issued on the evening of the 25th, and on the 26th of April, requiring payment on the 27th and 28th. Total application for shares, allowing for irregular applications not preserved, 39,394*l.* Number of shares, according to original prospectus, 14,000. Number of shares, agreed by directors to be absolutely reserved, 2,000; also, for appropriations among parties on the line, 3,000. Number of shares originally appropriated, 9,240. Amount of deposits paid into the bankers, 16,222*l.*, representing, in shares, 8,111. Number of shares signed on the deed, at its deposit in the Private Bill Office, 7,771; being nearly 300 less than the deposits were paid on.

Mr. *Green* objected to the reception of this as evidence. It was decided that it could be received as an *ex-parte* statement.

Mr. *William Dorrington*, called in; and Examined.

6337. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your business?—I am a general agent and jobber in shares. Mr. *W. Dorrington.*

6338. Where do you reside?—At No. 9, Harleyford-street, Kennington Common.

6339. Have you signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway deed?—I have.

6340. For how many shares?—I originally signed for 10, and then I signed for 50 more; I have signed for 60 altogether.

6341. Ten, one; and 50 the other?—Yes.

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6342. Is that your signature [*showing the Witness the deed*]?—Yes.

6343. "William Dorrington, Harleyford-street, agent; George Frederick Gritton, witness; 10 shares, 500 *l.*; 20 *l.* paid." Is the whole of that, except the witness's signature, in your handwriting?—Only the 10 *l.* is my writing.

6344. Mr. *Lord.*] Is that the deed you signed, you have been looking at?—Yes.

6345. *Chairman.*] Now, Mr. Dorrington, is the 500 *l.* in your handwriting?—I think it is, in that deed; in the former one it was not mine.

6346. Did you pay the 20 *l.* deposit?—I did.

6347. Where was it you signed this deed?—I think it was at White Lion-court, Cornhill.

6348. That is the office of the company, is it?—Yes.

6349. Mr. *Lord.*] Were those 10 shares allotted to you in consequence of any application you made to the company for shares?—Yes.

6350. Did you receive any answer from the secretary, telling you that that number of shares had been allotted to you in the usual way?—I received a letter from the secretary, stating that, if I would call at the office, I could get my shares by paying the deposit.

6351. Now, with regard to these 10 shares, did you happen to have any letter sent to you announcing it?—I cannot recollect.

6352. When you went to pay your deposit upon those 10 shares, did you take any letter with you?—Upon my word, I do not know; I have dealt with so many that I cannot recollect; I have been in all the railway companies, more or less.

6353. *Chairman.*] Look at this other signature for 50 shares; is that your name and handwriting?—Yes, the whole of that is mine.

6354. Mr. *Lord.*] Is the whole of that other your handwriting?—The whole of that is my writing.

6355. What, the witness and all?—No, of course, not that.

Mr. *Coppock* read as follows: "William Dorrington, Kennington Common, gentleman; witnessed by H. Haslam; 50 shares, 2,500 *l.*; 100 *l.* deposit."

6356. At the time you signed the deed for the first 10 shares, did you live at the place there described; namely, Harleyford-street?—I do not know; I have been there, and am as old as the hills there, for 40 years past. I invariably put my address there, or at the Auction Mart Coffee-house.

6357. *Chairman.*] Did you pay this 100 *l.*?—I did.

6358. Mr. *Lord.*] You invariably describe yourself as of Harleyford-street, or the Auction Mart?—Yes.

6359. How came you to describe yourself in the last deed as of Kennington Common, without any Harleyford-street?—Because I am as well known there; I may say, as well known as St. Paul's; it is a most extraordinary thing that I did not put the name of the street; it has never been omitted by me before.

6360. Had you any communication with that person previously, in order to induce you to go and sign for these 50 shares?—No; I had an opinion in my own mind that they would be a good thing to deal in.

6361. Were they at that time at a premium or a discount?—I believe they were about par.

6362. Did any person make any communication to you, informing you where you were to go to sign the deed for those 50 shares?—No; I know where they all are; I consulted my own feelings as to what was best to do.

6363. You say you know where they all are?—Yes.

6364. What do you mean by that?—I went to some court in Cornhill, and there I signed for the 10 shares.

6365. Do you mean by the words, "I know where they all are," that you know the office of this company?—Yes.

6366. When you signed for these 50 shares, was it in either of those places?—I told you distinctly it was in the Old Jewry, where the office is.

6367. *Chairman.*] What was the number?—I cannot tell; it was within a door or two of Cateaton-street.

6368. At the time of your signing for those 50 shares, was any money paid to you at that time in the room?—No.

6369. Nor afterwards?—No.

6370. Nor was there no promise made that you should receive any?—No.

6371. To

6371. To whom did you pay the 100 *l.* deposit upon those 50 shares?—I cannot tell; there were two or three gentlemen in the office.

6372. Have you got the receipt?—Yes, I have got the scrip receipt for it.

6373. *Chairman.*] You can produce that, can you, if it is required?—Yes.

6374. Mr. *Lord.*] What day was it you paid this money?—I cannot recollect.

Mr. *Coppock* stated that this was a case founded in error, as it had been alleged in the petition that the Witness had signed at No. 24, Bucklersbury, whereas the fact was he did not sign it there.

6375. *Chairman.*] Did you sign the Kent Railway deed; here is, "William Dorrington, Kennington, Surrey, agent, 2,500 *l.*"?—Yes; and I believe I have shares in all that have come out; I am a general dealer in them.

6376. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you receive 4 *s.* for signing the Kent and Dover Railway deed?—No; it has been said so, but I never did.

6377. Have you admitted to any person, that you have received 4 *s.*?—No; I told a person who spoke to me, that I was not a 4 *s.* man.

6378. Have you received any other sum?—No, I have received nothing.

6379. Has nobody promised to give you any sum?—No.

6380. Now this 100 *l.* you have been speaking of, in relation to these 50 shares, can you recollect who you paid that to?—No, I cannot.

6381. How was it paid?—In a 100 *l.* bank-note.

6382. Can you tell where you received that 100 *l.* bank-note?—Yes; but I do not think I am bound to answer that question.

Mr. *Lord* applied to the Committee, to know whether he was at liberty to put the question.

The *Chairman* decided it could not be put

6383. Did you take those shares as your own property?—Yes, and locked them up in my drawer, where I have left them now.

6384. You are now in possession of those shares are you?—Yes, I left them in my box to-day.

6385. What was the date of the month you took the last 50 shares?—I think it was the latter end of January, or early in February.

6386. *Chairman.*] Did you sign this deed, or take any shares in consequence of any representations made to you by a person of the name of Chamberlain?—No; I know the man well, but I never consulted him about my business, and I never had any communication with him on the subject of taking shares in this railway.

6387. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you keep a jobbing-book, as it is termed?—Yes, I do occasionally.

6388. Is it not the regular practice with stock-jobbers, to enter all their mercantile transactions in a jobbing-book?—Yes.

6389. Can you account to the Committee, why you did not follow the custom of your profession?—I believe it is the invariable custom to keep our things on slips of paper, and cancel them every week.

6390. *Chairman.*] Did you in the Auction Mart room receive 4 *s.*, or any other small sum, for putting your name, or having put your name, to the Kent Railway deed?—Most decidedly not; I never was in the coffee-room for that purpose.

6391. Where did you sign your name to the Kent Railway deed?—In Cornhill.

6392. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you recollect the day?—No, I do not.

6393. Mr. *Coppock.*] Harleyford-street is close to Kennington Common, is it not?—Yes.

6394. Therefore Harleyford-street, or Kennington Common, would always find you?—Always.

6395. You stated you signed for 10 shares first in Cornhill, and for the subsequent shares you signed at the office of the company?—Yes; in the Old Jewry.

6396. Did Mr. William Robinson Chamberlain induce you, for the sum of 10 *s.*, to sign any deed at the office of this company, or elsewhere?—Most decidedly not.

6397. Mr. *Lord.*] Were you ever at No. 24, Bucklersbury?—I do not know it at all; I never heard of the place.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Daniel Edward Stevens*, called in; and Examined.

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6398. Mr. *Lord.*] DO you know the last witness, Mr. Dorrington, who was examined?—Yes, I do.

6399. Were you present when he executed the deed he refers to in his evidence of the Kent Railway?—No, I was not.

6400. You were not present?—I saw it paid by Jacob Nunez Castello; I saw him pay 4 *s.*

Mr. *Coppock* objected to the examination of a Witness which tended to affect the character of a Witness called by the same party.

6401. You know Mr. Dorrington?—I do; and I tell you I saw him paid, with five or six others, the sum of 4 *s.*, by Jacob Nunez Castello, in the Auction Mart parlour.

6402. For what?—I was given to understand—

Mr. *Coppock* objected to the answer.

6403. Was he present when you were given to understand it?—I do not think he was present.

6404. *Chairman.*] You saw him paid the sum of 4 *s.*, did you?—I did, with others who had signed the Dover Railway deed.

6405. Mr. *Coppock.*] Do you know what he received that 4 *s.* for?—No; I told you I did not see him sign the deed.

6406. *Chairman.*] It was at the same time you saw others receive the 4 *s.*?—Yes; and among others, Mr. Poulton.

6407. Mr. *Lord.*] Who told you that Mr. Poulton received this 4 *s.* that you have disclosed in your cross-examination?—I saw the money paid to him.

6408. *Chairman.*] Did Mr. Poulton tell you for what he received the 4 *s.*?—Yes; for signing the Kent and Dover Railway deed.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Richard Spencer*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *R. Spencer.*

6409. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you live?—In Baldwin-street, City-road.

6410. What are you?—A gentleman.

6411. What do you call yourself, an accountant?—I am, there; but I have been a jobber on 'Change.

6412. Is that your name and handwriting [*showing a deed to the Witness*]?—It is.

6413. Read it?—" Richard Spencer, Baldwin-street, gentleman, 30 shares, 1,500 *l.*"

6414. Is the whole of that written by you, excepting the attesting witness's name?—Yes; the " 30 shares " is written by me, and my name.

6415. But not the amount?—No.

6416. Is there any deposit paid opposite?—There is 60 *l.*; but I have not paid any deposit.

6417. Mr. *Lord.*] Will you inform the Committee when you signed that deed?—I should say, about the 8th or 9th of February.

6418. Was it in consequence of any previous communication to you, that you were induced to go and sign that deed?—No; I was told that by signing this deed I should receive 10 *s.*

6419. Who told you so?—Mr. Chamberlain.

6420. How long before you signed the deed were you told you would have 10 *s.* by Mr. Chamberlain?—Not five minutes.

6421. Did he give you any ticket, or piece of paper, disclosing to you the place where you were to go and sign the deed?—Yes, he did.

6422. Was anything written on that piece of paper or ticket?—There was.

6423. *Chairman.*] What was written?—No. 24, Bucklersbury.

6424. Did it appear as if it had been freshly written?—It was written with ink.

6425. Mr. *Lord.*] Have you seen tickets, on the same day, in the possession of other persons who have signed this deed?—Yes.

6426. Did they correspond with that one which you had?—They did.

6427. Do

6427. Do you know, of your own knowledge, that Mr. Chamberlain gave those persons those tickets?—I have not seen him give them.

6428. In consequence of receiving that ticket, did you go to the parties where you were informed the deed was lying for signature?—I did.

6429. Where was it?—No. 24, Bucklersbury.

6430. At this time, did you know where the recognised office of the company was?—I did.

6431. Where was it?—In Coleman-street.

6432. Did you ever hear, previously to that, that they had any other office than that in Coleman-street?—I cannot say I ever did.

6433. Is it in Coleman-street or Old Jewry?—The corner of the Old Jewry.

6434. Did you see promulgated, either in advertisements or in prospectuses issued by the company, that their offices were in Bucklersbury?—I cannot say I did.

6435. Was it a dark room you went into to sign this deed?—It was.

6436. Did it convey to your mind that it had been hired for the occasion?—

Mr. *Coppock* objected to this question, and the Committee decided it could not be put.

6437. When you took this ticket there, and went into the room, was the deed lying there for signature?—Yes.

6438. The Parliamentary contract, you mean, of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway?—It was.

6439. How many persons were in the room at the time?—There was only one person at the time of signing, when I went in, and that person who witnessed the signature to the deed, and the person to whom I gave the ticket.

6440. Did you give the ticket to that gentleman who witnessed the deed?—No, I did not.

6441. Did he see you give it to any other person in the room?—I question whether he did or not.

6442. Do you know whether any of the persons in the room were agents of the company?—I do not.

6443. Did you ever hear that they were?—I cannot say that I ever did.

6444. *Chairman.*] Do you know who they were?—No, I do not.

6445. Did you see any person write his name as the attesting witness to your signature?—Yes, I did.

6446. Did you know the name of that person at the time he wrote it?—No.

6447. Did you read the name he wrote at the time?—No, I did not.

6448. Look at that signature, and see if the name of the attesting witness appended to that signature is the name which you saw written at the time? [*The deed was shown to the Witness.*]—I cannot say it is; but I had to sign the subscribers' agreement at the same time.

6449. Produce the subscribers' agreement. [*It was shown to the Witness.*]—Is your name written there, and the name of the attesting witness; the name you saw written at the time you signed the deed?—I did not see him finish it; and he handed the subscribers' agreement to me at the same time.

6450. Did you see the same name written as the name of the attesting witness, at the time you signed it?—No; it was not written; it was commenced, but not finished.

6451. Did you see a person begin to write his name as the attesting witness opposite to your signature, or was it in blank?—It was in blank at the time I signed it.

6452. Mr. *Lord.*] The name of the subscribing witness was in blank, was it?—Yes, at the time I signed it.

6453. *Chairman.*] Did you not say you saw an attesting witness begin to write something?—Yes, I fancy I did.

6454. What did you say?—As soon as I had finished, he took up the pen and immediately afterwards put it down, and handed me the subscribers' agreement.

6455. Did you see the attesting witness write any name, or begin to write any name?—I fancy he did not finish the name.

6456. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you mean before you left the room?—Before I left the room.

6457. Do you know the name of the surveyor and architect, printed upon the prospectus of the company, Mr. Payne?—I do not know him.

 6458. Now,

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6458. Now, at the time when you signed this deed, or rather immediately after you had signed it, was any money paid to you?—Yes.

6459. Was the person who paid you the money in the room at the time you first went in, or did he follow you in?—He followed me in; I met him upon the stairs.

6460. Was he returning from the room, or going up towards it?—He had the door in his hand.

6461. Do you mean as if he was a sort of servant, or paid by anybody?—Yes.

6462. How much money were you paid?—Ten shillings.

6463. Was the gentleman who subscribed the Parliamentary deed, that is, the other deed, as attesting witness, present when you received the money?—He was not.

6464. Did you not receive the money in the room?—No; he followed me out, and gave me the money on the landing-place.

6465. Now, when he gave you the money, was it wrapped up in paper, or had he it in his hand all ready?—He had it in his hand.

6466. What was his name?—I do not know.

6467. How many shares did you subscribe the deed for?—Thirty.

6468. And have you paid upon those shares?—No.

6469. Are you a *bonâ fide* holder of those shares?—Certainly not.

6470. Was any communication made to you previously, by Mr. Chamberlain, which would give you to understand you were not to be called upon or rendered liable for signing this deed?—Not any.

6471. Did you understand you would be rendered liable?—No, I did not.

6472. Are you able to pay the amount, if you are called upon to do it?—Certainly not.

6473. Did Mr. Chamberlain know you when he asked you to sign the deed?—Certainly he did.

6474. Mr. *Coppock.*] Do I understand you to say that the only person with whom you communicated was Mr. Chamberlain?—No; I had heard previously that Mr. Chamberlain wished to see me, from Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lee and others.

6475. The only person who promised you 10*s.* was Mr. Chamberlain, was it?—Exactly so.

6476. And he paid you the 10*s.*, did he?—No, he did not.

6477. You do not know who paid you the 10*s.*?—Yes.

6478. You consider, in consequence of the ticket you received, you went to No. 24, Bucklersbury?—Yes.

6479. You have stated you never heard No. 24, Bucklersbury, was the office of the company?—No, I never did.

6480. You saw no agent of the company there at all?—No; with the exception of those two persons.

6481. You did not know them?—No.

6482. Had you any communication with the officers of the company before you went to No. 24, Bucklersbury?—No.

6483. You have presented a petition to the House of Commons, have you not?—Yes.

6484. That petition was only ordered to lie on the table, was not that the case?—I believe it was.

6485. Did you pay 10*s.* to be allowed to sign the deed, or were you paid 10*s.*?—I was paid 10*s.*, and I paid 1*s.* for being recommended to sign it.

6486. This is a profitable business you carry on in shares, is it not; have ou ever been connected with any company before?—Yes; I signed the Kent Railway deed.

6487. Do you happen to know Mr. Poulton, the petitioner, here?—Yes.

6488. Have you known him long?—About 12 months.

6489. Not more than 12 months?—Not more.

6490. What have you known of him?—I have met him as a jobber on 'Change.

6491. Have you ever been concerned with him in getting up any company at any time?—I was clerk to him in one company, the New South Cotton Company.

6492. You were a partner with him, were you not?—No, only a clerk.

6493. Was it only clerk that you were, or did you not aspire to some name rather higher than that of clerk?—I was secretary to the company.

6494. Of

6494. Of whom was that company composed?—Of Mr. Stevens and Mr. Poulton.

6495. Who is Mr. Stevens?—A gentleman living at Chingford.

6496. Was he the last gentleman that was called?—I do not know.

6497. Is he in the room?—Yes.

6498. Who else was there?—Mr. Poulton.

6499. The petitioner in this case do you mean?—Yes.

6500. And who else?—Mr. Robert Stokes.

6501. Who is he?—A gentleman living upon his property.

6502. Who else?—Mr. Green.

6503. Who is Mr. Green?—He is in the room.

6504. Is he the petitioner also?—Yes.

6505. And was he one of the directors of this company?—Yes.

6506. Is there any more of the company you can favour us with the names of?—Not any more.

6507. When was the company formed?—It was formed in October last, I think.

6508. Did you issue any prospectuses?—We did.

6509. And applications for those prospectuses were to be made to Mr. Richard Stevens, of Finsbury-chambers?—Yes.

6510. And it states in that prospectus, that scrip will be issued on and after the 6th October, in exchange for bankers' receipts?—Yes.

6511. Did you issue any scrip in consequence of that?—We did.

6512. Is that one of your prospectuses [*handing one to the Witness*]?—It is.

6513. Will you read the names signed to that?—Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, Thomas Green, George Jones.

6514. Who is put there as secretary?—Myself.

6515. What does that purport to represent; how many shares [*showing the Witness a paper*]?—Five shares.

6516. In a company called "The New South Cotton-manufacturing Company?"—Yes.

6517. Can you tell how many of these shares were issued?—No, I cannot.

6518. You do not know how many of these shares were issued? No, I do not.

6519. How much deposit was paid upon them?—Half-a-crown a share.

6520. Who were the bankers to the company?—The Westminster Bank.

6521. The city branch?—Yes.

6522. In whose name was the account opened there?—In the names of the directors generally.

6523. Were the deposits paid at this Westminster Bank?—Yes.

6524. All of them?—I cannot say all were paid.

6525. You were secretary for the management of the affairs of this company; now, I see your rules are very strict; cannot you remember what the number was?—No, I cannot.

6526. How much was the total amount paid you on behalf of this company, of which Mr. Poulton and Mr. Green were the directors?—I cannot say.

6527. Do you know what became of the money?—No, I do not know.

6528. Was the formation of this company the first of your acquaintance with the petitioners?—No.

6529. When did you first know Mr. Poulton?—I should say 12 months, or a year and a half ago.

6530. Where did you first know him?—On the Royal Exchange.

6531. What was he there?—A jobber.

6532. You were also a jobber, were you not?—Yes.

6533. And it may be 18 months ago when you first knew him?—Yes, or two years.

6534. When did you first know Mr. Green?—About the same time.

6535. Was he on the Stock Exchange?—On the Royal Exchange.

6536. He was a jobber, was he?—Yes.

6537. Have you not known him longer than a year and a half?—I should say not; from that to two years.

6538. Have you known him from that time down to the present?—Yes.

6539. Where have you known him; has he been the whole of that time on the Royal Exchange?—He was always considered a jobber upon the 'Change.

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6540. He has always been there, has he?—Yes.

6541. Has he ever been absent from there?—Recently he has.

6542. What has he been employed in recently?—In the Kent Railway.

6543. That was his employment, was it?—Yes.

6544. Had he any occasion to see you on any matters relating to the Kent Railway?—I do not know that he had particularly.

6545. Have you any doubts on the subject?—He has seen me upon it, certainly.

6546. When did you first hear of this petition to the House of Commons of Mr. Green's or Mr. Poulton's, either one or the other?—I can refer to when I heard of it immediately; it was on the 22d of February.

6547. Were you in the habit of meeting in any sort of society, you and Mr. Poulton and Mr. Green, at that time?—I have met them on 'Change and at the Auction Mart Coffee-house.

6548. Did you frequently meet?—Very often.

6549. Had you any conversations on the subject of the railroads?—Frequently.

6550. Was it ever suggested to you by any one that you might make a profitable business by attending Committees of the House of Commons?—Certainly not.

6551. Nor by petitions to the House?—No.

6552. Did they ever tell you you would be able to get a certain sum per day for your attendance here?—I cannot recollect such an observation being made.

6553. Have you any reason to doubt that such an observation was made?—I do not know.

6554. Who drew that petition of yours to the House of Commons?—Mr. Green.

6555. He drew the petition, did he?—Yes.

6556. Did he bring it to you already drawn, or did he take his instructions from you to draw it?—He took his instructions from me to draw it.

6557. Did he come to you?—No, I went to him.

6558. What did he say to you when you went to him?—I went to him because I had been sent for on the Saturday by a person of the name of Lockington to Mr. Hoppe's office; I went there, but Mr. Hoppe was out at that time, and I did not see him; I waited, and Mr. Lockington went to the office of the company, and brought a clerk with him from the company; I was appointed afterwards to go to the office; the clerk to the company I saw, who asked me if I had made an admission that I had received the 10*s*.

6559. Will you go on about Mr. Green?—I am coming to the consequence of that. I said I did not recollect signing such an admission; at the time I was appointed to call at four o'clock, and I should see Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Powell, who was the secretary; Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Powell were not there at that time, and they stated, nothing could be done until Monday, and it must stand over until Monday.

6560. This is all after the petition, is it?—No, it is not. On the Sunday I went to Mr. Green, and stated what had taken place; he immediately advised me to present a petition to the House of Commons, which I gave him instructions to draw, that is all.

6561. And in consequence of those instructions this petition was drawn, was it?—Yes.

6562. What was the reason you never followed that petition up?—I do not understand the question.

6563. Why have you never appeared on that petition, or had that petition referred to this Committee; why did you never pursue that petition further?—Because the petition was presented to the House of Commons, and was ordered to lie on the table.

6564. From that time to this you have been constantly in communication with Mr. Green and Mr. Poulton?—I have not seen Mr. Green for the last fortnight.

6565. Have you not been told by one or the other of them that you would receive a certain sum per day for attending here upon this Committee?—I cannot recollect that.

6566. Do you suppose you are attending here for nothing?—The day I was summoned I knew I should be paid.

6567. You

6567. You have not the least remembrance whether Mr. Green or Mr. Poulton told you it would be a desirable mode of getting money to attend here upon Committees?—I have no recollection of it.

6568. You have not the least idea upon the subject?—I cannot say I have any idea on the subject.

6569. Can you identify this as a correct prospectus of your new cotton company; is that a correct one (*showing a prospectus to the Witness*)?—Yes, it is.

6570. Is that a true scrip receipt [*showing a paper to the Witness*]?—It is so.

6571. And the names signed there are the signatures of the parties, are they?—The names signed there are the signatures of the parties.

6572. Mr. *Thornely.*] Had you any communication with Mr. Hoppe, or with any of the clerks of the Company, subsequently to what you stated to the Committee?—Not any.

6573. *Chairman.*] Are you the gentleman whose name appears upon the Kent Railway deed, "Richard Spencer, No. 27, Baldwin-street, Middlesex, accountant, 9,500*l.*"?—Yes.

6574. Mr. *Lord.*] You state, in your cross-examination, that you have known Mr. Green and Mr. Poulton for some time?—Yes.

6575. In answer to a question put to you, you said you met them in the city?—Yes.

6576. Did you meet them generally at Baker's Coffee-house or the Royal Exchange?—Yes.

6577. Do you consider the Royal Exchange a place where respectable people meet?—Yes.

6578. And a place where gentlemen resort to?—Yes.

6579. Is Mr. Lockington an agent of the company?—I do not know.

6580. Did he state he was?—He did not; he introduced me to the clerk at the office.

6581. Did he state to you he was authorized by the company to take you to Mr. Hoppe's office?—He did not say he was authorized to do so.

6582. Is Mr. Hoppe the solicitor to the company?—He is.

6583. When you were at the office was Mr. Hoppe present?—He was not.

6584. Do you see any person in the room who was present at the office at the time you went there?—Yes, the gentleman behind Mr. Hoppe.

Mr. *Payne*, a clerk in Mr. Hoppe's office, admitted that he was present at the time the witness was there, and that he was attesting witness to the deed.

6585. Do you know whether Mr. Payne holds any office in the company, as well as being clerk to Mr. Hoppe?—I have met him at the office of the company.

6586. Did he appear as if he was an officer of the company?—Certainly.

6587. Is it the name of Payne that is the attesting witness of your signature?—There is a gentleman of the name of Payne who witnessed it.

6588. Was he in the room when you signed the deed?—I do not recollect his being present.

6589. You could not take upon yourself to say that he was not in the room?—Certainly not.

Mr. *Coppock* admitted that Mr. Payne was the attesting witness, and was in the room.

6590. Will you state to the Committee what conversations took place between Mr. Payne, the clerk to Mr. Hoppe, and yourself, at Mr. Hoppe's office, after you presented the petition to Parliament?—I did not see him at Mr. Hoppe's office; I saw him at the office of the company.

6591. What conversations took place?—Mr. Payne asked me if I had signed an admittance of having received 10*s.*? I said I did not recollect having done so, it had escaped my memory at the time. Mr. Payne wished to see me at the time when Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Powell were at the office. I made an appointment for four o'clock. I went at the same time with Mr. Lockington to the office of the company; I only saw Mr. Payne, and he said, as I did not recollect it, and Mr. Hoppe was not within, nor Mr. Powell, it must stand over until Monday; after which

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which I have never seen or met Mr. Payne, and I never went to the office on Monday, having signed a petition on Monday, and sent it in.

6592. Did Mr. Payne express any wish that you should withdraw the petition you had presented to Parliament?—Yes, he did; he wished me to sign a counter petition.

6593. At the time you saw Mr. Payne, did he know you had presented a petition to Parliament or not?—Certainly not, for I had not at that time.

6594. Did he know you had not?—Yes, he did.

6595. Now, knowing you had a petition in progress, do you mean to tell this Committee that he wanted you to sign the contrary of what you had before signed?—He did not know it.

6596. Did he wish you to sign it?—He did.

6597. Did he offer to pay you anything on behalf of the company for so doing?—Certainly not; he did not offer to pay me anything.

6598. That is the gentleman who sits behind Mr Hoppe, is it?—Yes.

6599. The gentleman who attested the signature in Bucklersbury?—I cannot recollect Mr. Payne at the time as the attesting witness, to my knowledge.

6600. Did Mr. Lockington ever offer to pay you any money on the part of the company?—He did not.

6601. Did he treat you at all at any coffee-house?—Yes, he did.

6602. Did you understand that that treating was a sort of boon held out to you on the part of the company to do some act for them if they wished to have it done?—I consider it was merely to detain me to see Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Powell.

6603. *Chairman.*] In what view did you look upon this payment of 10*s.* to you; for what purpose did you conceive it was paid to you?—To sign the deed.

6604. Was anything stated by any person that was in the house when it was paid, or for what purpose it was that the 10*s.* was paid?—It was not.

6605. Did Mr. Chamberlain give you to understand that if you went to Bucklersbury you would receive 10*s.* for signing the deed?—Yes.

6606. He left you to put your own interpretation upon it, did he?—Exactly so.

6607. Mr. *Coppock.*] The interview you had with Mr. Payne, in consequence of Mr. Lockington calling upon you, was after Mr. Green had presented a petition himself to the House of Commons?—Certainly not.

6608. Mr. Payne asked you if you had not signed an admission of having received this 10*s.*, did he not?—He did.

6609. You said you had no recollection of having signed an admission?—Yes.

6610. Mr. Payne then asked you if you had any objection to sign a petition to the House stating that fact?—Yes.

6611. And, in consequence of your not seeing either Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Powell, the thing stood over until Monday?—Yes.

6612. And, in consequence of that, you went to Mr. Green, and he drew up a petition from your instructions, did he?—Yes.

6613. In Mr. Green's petition this written statement is put forth at length: "17 February 1837. I hereby admit that I signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Company's Railway deed and Parliamentary contract, and I was not a shareholder at the time, nor am I now, but I received 10*s.* for doing the same, and my poverty compelled me to do so, the amount I signed for being 1,700*l.* Richard Spencer, accountant." That was the admission to which Mr. Payne alluded, was it?—Yes.

6614. That admission being contained in a petition, not by yourself, but by Mr. Green, Mr. Payne asked you whether you, not remembering it, had any objection to sign a petition to the House stating that you never had signed it?—Exactly so.

6615. That was the only time you were ever at the office of the company on this business up to this time?—Yes, I had to get prospectuses.

6616. But for no purpose connected with this company?—No.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Charles Haley*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *Charles Haley.*

6617. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—I am a schoolmaster.

6618. Where do you live?—At No. 8, Thomas-street, opposite the London Hospital, in the Mile-end-road.

6619. Have

6619. Have you signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway deed?—I have.

6620. Is this name your handwriting [*pointing to the deed*]?—It is.

6621. Read the line out?—" John Haley, No. 8, Thomas-street, gentleman, 30 shares;" that is all that I wrote.

6622. Read the rest of the line, that is not in your handwriting?—" T. H. Payne, 1,500 *l.*; 60 *l.* deposit paid."

6623. Did you pay any deposit?—No, I did not.

6624. Mr. *Lord.*] What part of that line is not in your handwriting?—" T. H. Payne" is not in my handwriting, nor the 1,500 *l.*

6625. And the number of shares?—Yes; the amount of the deposit on the shares is not my handwriting.

6626. When did you sign the deed, or execute it rather?—I do not recollect the date, but I think it was some time in February.

6627. Was it the beginning or the end of February?—I cannot charge my memory with it, I am sure.

6628. Should you rather incline to think it was towards the end of February in preference to the beginning?—I cannot tell, I am sure.

6629. But you think it was in February?—I think it was.

6630. Had you any previous conversation with any gentleman or person which induced you to go and sign that deed?—I had.

6631. Was it on that day?—On the day before.

6632. What was the name of the person whom you so conversed with?—Mr. Chamberlain.

6633. Did he give you any paper or ticket denoting where you were to go to?—He did not.

6634. Nor did any other person give you any ticket or paper?—Yes, a person of the name of Jacobs did.

6635. Was this after you had had the communication with Mr. Chamberlain or before?—After; it was on the next day.

6636. What conversation took place with Mr. Chamberlain relating to this deed?—I was to sign the deed, and I was to be allowed 10*s.*, something of that sort took place.

6937. Did he state he was instructed by the company?—No, he did not state anything of that sort.

6638. *Chairman.*] Did he state the number of shares you were to sign for?—No, he did not.

6639. Who determined how many shares you were to sign for on that day?—The party at the office.

6640. Mr. *Lord.*] Is that gentleman, who told you how many shares you were to sign for, now in the room?—I cannot recollect who it was, I am sure.

6641. Tell the Committee the conversation that took place with Mr. Jacobs in relation to the railway company?—Mr. Jacobs gave me a small card.

6642. *Chairman.*] Where did you meet Mr. Jacobs?—On the Exchange, and he gave me a small card with the words "No. 24, Bucklersbury," on it.

6643. Did Mr. Chamberlain, in his conversation with you, tell you you were to meet Mr. Jacobs?—No, he did not; on the following morning I could not see Mr. Chamberlain, and then I was referred to Mr. Jacobs, who had this card.

6644. Referred to Mr. Jacobs by whom?—I am sure I cannot tell who it was; whether it was Mr. Piercey, or some party who had signed the previous day.

6645. You were referred by some person who had signed the previous day to Mr. Jacobs, were you?—Yes.

6646. Then, in consequence of what you learnt from this person, whoever he was, did you go to the Royal Exchange to look for Mr. Jacobs?—Yes, and I saw him there, and he gave me this small card.

6647. What was upon the card?—No. 24, Bucklersbury.

6648. Was it written in ink?—Yes, it was.

6649. In consequence of that, did you go to No. 24, Bucklersbury?—Yes, I did.

6650. Who did you see there?—I saw a gentleman there; a clerk, I believe.

6651. What sort of a room did you go into?—It was rather a dark room.

6652. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you happen to know whether the gentleman whom you saw there was the clerk or director of the company?—I cannot say.

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6653. *Chairman.*] Had you ever seen him before?—I had not.

6654. Have you ever seen him since?—Not to my knowledge.

6655. Is he in this room now?—I am sure I do not know whether it is that gentleman opposite or not; I do not know, I am sure.

6656. What passed in the room?—I handed in my card, and the gentleman was not in the room, but he would be in very shortly, I was told; and I waited a short time, and this gentleman came, and I signed the number of shares.

6657. Who told you that the other gentleman would be in very shortly?—The party who was in the room previously; the clerk, as I thought.

6658. How many persons were in the room when you signed the deed?—There were four or five persons in the room waiting.

6659. What were the other persons; were they persons who came on the same business as yourself?—I do not know; yes, there was one who signed the deed previous to myself.

6660. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you see him sign it?—Yes.

6661. *Chairman.*] Did you know his name?—No, I did not.

6662. What did the other persons appear to be occupied about?—For the same purpose as myself probably; but I do not know; I did not see them sign, because, after I had signed I left the room.

6663. At the time you signed, were both the gentleman you found there when you first went to the office, and that gentleman who afterwards arrived, in the room at the time?—No, they were not.

6664. Who was in the room at the time?—The party that I thought was the clerk; he was in the room, and several other persons; he told me the gentleman would be in in a very short time, and when he came, I should sign the deed.

6665. When this gentleman arrived, what took place previous to your signing the deed?—There was nothing mentioned previous. I waited until he came from the next room, I believe. I believe he came out of the next room, or the room adjoining; and when he came, I signed the deed.

6666. Did he point out where you were to sign it?—The clerk did.

6667. Did no conversation pass between you and this other gentleman?—None whatever.

6668. Did you present your ticket to him or the clerk?—I presented the ticket to the clerk.

6669. Did this other gentleman, after seeing you, retire before you signed the deed?—No, he remained in the room at the time.

6670. But both the clerk and this gentleman were present?—Yes, when I signed the deed.

6671. Mr. *Lord.*] To whom did you give the ticket?—To the clerk.

6672. Can you tell me if he is in the room now?—No, I cannot charge my memory, because I do not recollect the party.

6673. *Chairman.*] Who told you the number of shares you were to sign for?—The clerk.

6674. Mr. *Lord.*] Was that gentleman the person who was the attesting witness to your signature afterwards?—Yes, I rather think he was.

6675. *Chairman.*] Did you see the attesting witness write his name at the time you signed, or shortly afterwards?—I do not recollect seeing him at the time.

6676. Did you see any person put his name as attesting witness to your signature?—No, I do not recollect.

6677. Now, after you had signed, what then took place?—I received the 10*s.*

6678. Mr. *Lord.*] In the presence of the clerk did you receive this 10*s.*?—He was in the room.

6679. *Chairman.*] Did you receive it in the room or out of the room?—In the room.

6680. From whom did you receive it?—From a gentleman; this party.

6681. From the second person?—Yes.

6682. Mr. *Lord.*] Was the gentleman from whom you received the 10*s.* the same person to whom the clerk alluded, by saying, "The gentleman will be here presently"?—Yes, it was.

6683. Then previously to this gentleman coming in, did you give the clerk the

the ticket, or were they both present?—It was previous to that gentleman coming in.

6684. Now, was this ticket exhibited to the clerk, or any commentary made by the clerk, or the gentleman coming in, upon the nature of it, or as to what was the use of this ticket?—No, there was not.

6685. The clerk seemed throughout to understand it, did he not?—I suppose so.

6686. *Chairman.*] Upon the 10*s.* being paid to you, was anything stated to you?—Nothing whatever.

6687. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Was that 10*s.* given to you openly or clandestinely?—Openly.

6688. Did you read the contents of the deed to which you subscribed your name, or was it read to you by any person?—No, it was not, at least I do not recollect that it was.

6689. Was it, or was it not?—No, it was not.

6690. Was it explained to you by any person what it was you were subscribing your name to?—I know it was the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company; I heard it previously to going that that was the company.

6691. Did you consider your signing your name gave you any right to call for shares?—I thought so.

6692. How many?—The amount I subscribed for.

6693. Do you mean to say you expected you could claim the total amount of shares for which you had signed your name?—Yes; I wrote a letter to have that number allotted to me a few days afterwards.

6694. You had not made any application before that?—No.

6695. Have you been in the habit of taking shares in companies?—Yes, I have, to a great amounnt.

6696. Mr *Lord.*] Is it usual to be allowed to sign the Parliamentary deed and then write for the shares afterwards?—No; I believe it is not the usual custom.

6697. Do you not know that the invariable custom is, first of all to apply for the shares, and that they are then allotted to you, and then you pay the money; and, in point of fact, that is a guarantee to the company to let you sign the deed upon producing the receipt?—I have always understood that to be the proper mode.

6698. Do you know any other company that will allow you to sign the deed without producing the scrip receipt?—I do not; but I have heard it has been done by other companies previous to that.

6699. *Chairman.*] Have you been called upon since to pay the deposit?—No, I have not.

6700. After you were asked to make application for these shares, you were not called upon by any person connected with the company to pay the deposit, were you?—No, I was not.

6701. Mr. *Lord.*] Who was it that requested you to make application for shares, after you had signed the deed?—No person.

6702. How came you then to do it?—Because it was my intention to take up the shares provided they had been at a premium.

6703. Have you since paid upon them?—I have not; and I have not had the shares allotted to me.

6704. *Chairman.*] You say it was your intention to have taken them up in case they rose to a premium; what would you have done if they had fallen to a discount?—In all probability I should not have paid for the shares which were allotted to me in a letter; had they been at a discount, I certainly should not have taken them up.

6705. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you intend to take them up now?—I do not know.

6706. Have you money enough to take them up?—I could procure the money.

6707. *Chairman.*] Then you mean to say, you have not made up your mind whether you would take them up or not?—No.

6708. Mr. *Lord.*] Are you in a situation to take them up?—I could take them up.

6709. You mean by borrowing the money?—Yes; I have a friend who would advance the money.

6710. Can you state why you do not take them up?—No.

6711. You cannot state why you do not take them up?—No.

6712. Would

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6712. Would you take them up if they were at a premium?—Yes.

6713. Are they at a discount?—I believe they are.

6714. Have you been given to understand that the shares would be held, so that you might have them in the event of their coming to a premium?—Certainly not; I thought I should have the shares allotted to me.

6715. Why do you think so?—I have no reason, only because I have signed for the amount of the shares, and therefore I thought the shares would be allotted to me.

6716. You have not paid any deposit, have you?—I have not; but it was to be in consideration of my signing the deed.

6717. You are not a *bonâ fide* holder of these shares, are you?—No, I am not.

6718. You did not pay any money when you signed the deed?—No.

6719. Mr. *Coppock.*] In a petition presented to this House, it is stated that you, among others, are a pauper and a person in a very distressed situation in life; is that true?—No, it is not true.

6720. Have you ever seen Mr. Poulton upon the subject of this proceeding?—Yes, I have.

6721. Did he tell you that he had charged you, before the House of Commons, with being a pauper?—No, but I charged him with it; and I stated that he had taken most unwarrantable liberties, or something of that sort, in stating that, for I was not such a person as he represented me.

6722. What did he reply?—He told me he knew nothing of it, or something of that sort.

6723. Did he say he should require you to give evidence before this Committee?—Yes, I think he mentioned something about it.

6724. Did he not say you would be paid for your attendance, and get more money by that than you would otherwise?—No, he did not.

6725. What did he say?—That I should have a certain sum for attendance here.

6726. He told you that, did he?—Yes.

6727. Now, did anybody besides Mr. Chamberlain or Mr. Jacobs ever speak to you to induce you to sign that deed?—No.

A question having been put by Mr. *Lord* respecting the circumstances of the Witness, it was objected to by Mr. *Coppock*, when it was admitted by the Witness that he was a poor man.

6728–9. Mr. *Lord.*] Did Mr. Poulton merely refer to the money you would receive for your attendance?—Nothing further than that; there was something of that sort.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Benjamin Day*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *Benjamin Day.*

6730. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—I am a share agent.

6731. Where do you live?—At No. 6, Jewin-street, Aldersgate.

6732. Have you a counting-house there?—No, it is a lodging.

6733. Where do you pursue your business?—I have a house of call at No. 7, Sweeting's-alley.

6734. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—No, I am not.

6735. Have you signed your name to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Parliamentary contract deed?—I have.

6736. Is this your name and handwriting (*showing the deed to the Witness*)?—Yes.

6737. Read it as far as it is your name and handwriting first, and then read the remainder?—"Benjamin Day, No 6, Jewin-street, Aldersgate, gentleman, 50," that is my writing.

6738. Now read the remainder of the line that is not your handwriting?—"F. H. Payne, 2,500*l.*, and 100*l.* deposit paid."

6739. Did you pay any deposit?—I did not.

6740. Mr. *Lord.*] How many shares have you signed your name for in the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway?—Fifty.

6741. When did you sign for those shares?—About the beginning of February.

6742. Where did you sign it?—At Bucklersbury.

6743. What is the number of the place?—I believe it is No. 24.

6744. Do

6744. Do you happen to know the office of the company?—Yes, I do; the corner of the Old Jewry.

6745. Do you believe that to be the regular office of the company, in Bucklersbury?—I do not know now, nor did I then, whether it was the office of the company or not.

6746. Did you see it printed upon any prospectus or advertisement, as being the office of the company?—No, I did not.

6747. Did you agree to sign that in consequence of any previous communication that you had had with any person?—Yes, I did.

6748. What was the name of that person?—Mr. Chamberlain.

6749. What did he tell you to induce you to sign for these shares?—He asked me if I would go and sign a deed, and I was to be paid 10 *s.* for it.

6750. Did he state what deed it was?—I do not know; but I understood at the time that it was that. I think he did.

6751. *Chairman.*] You understood it was what?—The Westminster-bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway.

6752. Mr. *Lord.*] Did he give you any ticket or piece of paper, informing you where you were to go?—No, he did not.

6753. Did any other person?—Yes; I agreed to do it; I went out, and when I came back, Mr. Jacobs gave me a ticket.

6754. Did you previously know Mr. Jacobs?—Yes.

6755. Did Mr. Jacobs state to you that he had had a communication with Mr. Chamberlain in relation to the deed?—He did not.

6756. Did you go to Mr. Jacobs, and ask him for the ticket?—He gave it me; he was waiting for me.

6757. *Chairman.*] Where?—On 'Change.

6758. Mr. *Lord.*] Was Mr. Chamberlain in company with him?—No; I only saw him.

6759. Now, after you received that ticket, where did you go?—I went to a house in Bucklersbury; No. 24, I believe; the first floor; and I went in the room and showed the ticket, and the deed was lying there, and I signed it.

6760. *Chairman.*] Who was present?—There were two or three gentlemen present, but I did not know them.

6761. Mr. *Lord.*] And in the presence of those two or three gentlemen did you produce the ticket?—I did. I showed it to one of them, and he gave me a pen to sign my name, and I signed it.

6762. Previously to leaving the room, after signing the deed, did you see anybody beginning, or had he finished attesting your signature?—Yes; I think I saw a gentleman take a pen for the purpose of attesting my signature.

6763. Had he finished doing so when you left the room?—I cannot say, for I did not notice.

6764. Is that gentleman in the room?—I cannot say, for I should not know any of the parties I saw then.

6765. Was the room so dark?—It was rather dark.

6766. Did it appear like the office of a respectable company?—There are some respectable offices in Bucklersbury.

6767. *Chairman.*] What determined you to sign for 50 shares rather than for any other number of shares?—I thought of having the shares in case they got up, and paying for the shares afterwards.

6768. Was it from a suggestion of your own, or did it proceed from any other person that you signed for 50 shares rather than for any other number?—It was left to myself.

6769. Who said it was left to yourself?—No one said so; there were different amounts down, and I signed for 50, which was what I thought proper.

6770. Mr. *Lord.*] Had you previously to this day any shares in this company?—I have dealt in them; I have bought and sold them.

6771. But you had not at that time?—I do not think I had; I might have had; I may have them one day, and sell them again the next.

6772. *Chairman.*] Had you previously to this written any letter for shares in this company?—Yes, I had.

6773. How many did you apply for?—Thirty.

6774. In consequence of that letter did you receive any letter informing you that so many shares were allotted to you?—I did not.

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6775. Mr. *Lord.*] At the time you signed this deed, will you tell the Committee what the price of the shares was in the market?—I think at that time they were nearly at par; they had been previously.

6776. *Chairman.*] Were they a little above or a little below par?—They were both; perhaps they were a little above and a little below par the same day.

6777. Were they at a small premium or at a small discount?—They were done at both.

6778. Mr. *Lord.*] You do not know how the market was about the time you were signing?—It is that I am speaking of.

6779. Previously to your signing this deed had they been at a discount?—Yes.

6780. How did you come to go and sign for shares at par when you could have bought them in the market at a discount?—I think they were done both at a premium and a discount the same day.

6781. Had they not been done at one-fourth discount in the course of the morning?—I do not know; I believe they were both at one-eighth discount and one-eighth premium.

6782. *Chairman.*] Since signing the deed, have you had any communication informing you so many shares were allotted to you?—I have not.

6783. Have you written any letter since you applied for the shares?—I have not.

6784. Mr. *Lord.*] Previously to your leaving this room were you paid any money in the presence of any gentleman who was in the room?—I was paid by one of the parties 10 *s.* as I came out. I do not think it was in the presence of any one; I think it was in the passage; a gentleman followed me out or met me in the passage.

6785. Did that person form one of the company in the room when you first went in?—I cannot say whether he was in the room or not.

6786. He staid in the passage?—I cannot say. As I went out a gentleman gave me the money; I did not know I was to receive it there.

6787. You felt very much surprised at it, did you not?—No; I knew I was to have 10 *s.*, but I did not know whether it was to be from them or from Mr. Chamberlain.

6788. When you signed the deed, were you called upon in the usual way to produce the scrip receipt or the banker's receipt?—No, I was not.

6789. You merely produced this ticket?—Yes.

6790. He seemed thoroughly to understand the meaning of the ticket, did he?—Yes.

6791. Is it not usual in companies of this description, previous to signing the deed, to be called upon to produce a banker's scrip receipt?—I believe it is.

6792. Did you pay upon these shares you signed for?—No, I did not.

6793. Have you paid since?—No, I have not.

6794. Then, in point of fact, you have no pecuniary interest in the shares?—I signed with the idea of having them if they got up to a premium.

6795. Are these shares at a discount or a premium now?—They are at a discount.

6796. Have they ever been at a premium since you signed the deed?—Very trifling; perhaps one eighth or one-fourth.

6797. Is it your intention to pay upon these shares if they continue at a discount?—No, certainly not.

6798. *Chairman.*] Is it doubted that Mr. Payne was the attesting witness to this deed?—(Mr. *Coppock.*) Certainly not; it is stated in the deed.

6799. Mr. *Coppock.*] Had you any communication with any gentleman, excepting Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Jacobs, that induced you to go and sign this deed?—No.

6800. Did you know the petitioner, Mr. Benjamin Wheeler Poulton?—Yes.

6801. Were you ever concerned in any other company with him before?—I was not concerned in this with him.

6802. What time in the day was it you went to Bucklersbury?—I think about three o'clock in the afternoon.

6803. In the month of February?—Yes.

6804. Is it not usually dark in that month in the city?—Yes.

6805. Then

6805. Then you did not think it was an obscure place?—No. Mr. *Benjamin Day.*

6806. You had no communication with the officers of the company previously to signing for those shares, had you?—No. 21 April 1837.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *William Piercy*, called in; and Examined.

6807. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your address?—No. 15, Elder-street, Spital-square. Mr. *W. Piercy.*

6808. What is your business?—I am a share-broker and a share-agent, and dealer in shares generally.

6809. Have you signed the Parliamentary contract of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company?—I have.

6810. Read so much of that as is in your handwriting, and then read the remainder that is not in your handwriting (*handing the Witness the deed*)?—"William Algernon Piercy, No. 15, Elder-street, Spital-square, gentleman:" that is in my handwriting. "George Frederick Gritton; five shares, 250*l.*; 10*l.* paid:" that is not my handwriting.

6811. Did you pay any deposit?—I did.

6812. Is that your signature, name and handwriting (*showing another deed to the Witness*)?—"William Piercy, No. 7, Capel-court, gentleman:" that is all I have signed. "F. H. Payne; 15 shares, 750*l.*; 30*l.* paid:" that is not my writing.

6813. Did you pay any deposit?—No.

6814. Why did you sign "William Algernon" in the one case, and only "William" in the other?—Because I did it for brevity's sake; I am not aware there was any particular reason. I have several names, and I in general write in a short manner; I seldom or ever introduce the whole of my names on a deed or to any letter.

6815. Mr. *Lord.*] What is your name with all your Christian names?—My name is William Algernon Lens Piercy.

6816. How many different times have you signed your name to that deed?—Twice.

6817. Do you happen to recollect how you signed it in the first instance?—I signed it "William Algernon" in the first instance.

6818. Where do you describe yourself of in the first signature?—Of No. 15, Elder-street, Spital-square.

6819. And you lived there at that time, did you?—I live there now, and I have lived there for some years.

6820 When did you sign the deed in the first instance?—I think it must have been about 12 months ago; it was in the summer of the year 1836. I think it was at the time of the formation of the company.

6821. Now, at the time you signed that deed, the first time, when you described yourself of Elder-street, Spital-square, had you an office at No. 7, Capel-court, in the city?—I have transacted my business there for the last 10 years.

6822. Had you any office there?—No, I had not; but I make use of the office of a gentleman; and all my letters are directed there, except those which I wish to be directed to my residence.

6823. When you execute deeds, you sometimes describe yourself as of Elder-street, Spital-square, and sometimes of Capel-court?—Sometimes I do, certainly.

6824. Have you signed any other railway deeds?—I have signed several, because it is my business; and I am bound, by the nature of my business, to sign them.

6825. Have you always described yourself in those other deeds, within the period spoken of, as of one or the other of those places?—Yes.

6826. Do you mean to take upon yourself to state that you have always done so?—I do, to the best of my recollection; I am not conscious of having done otherwise.

6827. For how many shares have you signed the deed in the second instance?—For 15.

6828. Did you make any application to the company, previously to that second 15 shares, for more shares?—Yes; I think it was 20; I was aware that the gentleman who is broker to the company was a highly respectable man, and I considered

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I considered he never would have anything to do with any concern but what was respectable; and it was upon that principle I wrote for five shares.

6829. You received them afterwards?—Yes.

6830. *Chairman.*] When?—I think it was in the month of February; I beg pardon; I remember I did not write.

6831. Mr. *Lord.*] Knowing that Mr. Brown would not have anything to do with any company but what was respectable, you did not make any second application to him?—No.

6832. What is Mr. Brown?—He is a member of the Stock Exchange; I am inclined to think he was the broker of this company at one time.

6833. Do you know whether he is connected with this company in any way?—I believe not at all.

6834. You stated just now, that from your knowledge of Mr. Brown you thought he would not have anything to do with this company unless it was respectable?—Yes.

6835. And now you say you do not think he has anything to do with this company; why do you say that?—Because 12 or 13 months have gone by; and I cannot say whether Mr. Brown is alive or not.

6836. At the time you are now referring to, upon the first occasion, do you know whether Mr. Brown was the broker of the company or not?—I believe he was.

6837. Now, will you state to the Committee the day when you took these latter shares, the 15 shares?—That is impossible.

6838. Was it in February?—It was.

6839. Previously to signing the deed, had you had any conversation with any person to induce you to do so?—No; the case occurred in this manner: I met Mr. Chamberlain on 'Change, I had known him for many years, and he asked me if I had any objection to sign for a few shares in a company, which was the Westminster Bridge and Greenwich and Deptford Railway Company. I said no; I want to know something about that company; because I was then in possession of my original shares which I had at the time I signed for the other 15, and thought it was a good opportunity to go and make inquiry about it, and I understood from Mr. Chamberlain that they would allow me a bottle of wine, or something of that kind, for signing the deed.

6840. Did he gave you any paper or ticket?—No.

6841. Did any other person?—No.

6842. Had you known the office of the company previously to this day?—No; I considered this was the office of the company.

6843. No. 24, Bucklersbury, do you mean?—Yes.

6844. You have informed the Committee that you made an application, in the first instance, to the company for shares?—Yes.

6845. Where did you address your letter to?—I think it was at my house in Elder-street.

6846. Where did you address it to?—I will give the information as far as I can, but I will not be positive; I believe it was to the office of Mr. Edward Brown, in Throgmorton-street.

6847. You did not address it to No. 24, Bucklersbury, did you?—No.

6848. How came you not to address it there?—I thought that was a temporary office where this company was formed. I signed at the office of the solicitors.

6849. Did you happen to know who the solicitors of the company were at this time?—No, I never saw a prospectus.

6850. You never had seen a prospectus up to that time?—No, I never saw a prospectus.

6851. How came you to know there was such a company?—That is not an uncommon thing in our business; we very often know the bearings of a company without a prospectus.

6852. Is it a common thing to know the office of a company without seeing it written?—It was advertised. I am inclined to think I directed my letter to the office of the stock-broker, Mr. Brown.

6853. How came you to direct your letter to that place?—There was an advertisement in the paper that applications would be received at his office.

6854. Was any ticket given to you on the day you went to Bucklersbury to sign the deed?—No.

6855. Nor

6855. Nor any paper directing you where you were to go?—No.

6856. Had any person made a previous communication to you that you would be paid for going?—No, only as I have described; Mr. Chamberlain mentioned it to me.

6857. He told you you would be paid?—He said I should have 10*s.* for doing it.

6858. You considered the price of a bottle of wine to be 10*s.*, did you?—In a matter of this kind we do not descend to niceties.

6859. You attended at this office in Bucklersbury; now will you inform the Committee who were in the room when you went in?—I do not know.

6860. *Chairman.*] How many persons were there?—I should think four.

6861. Will you state what passed?—I went in, and I said I understood I was to sign for a few shares; and a gentleman that was there showed me the deed, and I signed for 15.

6862. Mr. *Lord.*] Did this gentleman know that?—I do not know.

6863. Did he ask you for the banker's receipt?—No.

6864. But the deed of the company was lying on the table for signature?—Yes.

6865. And they let you, as a stranger, sign it without knowing your name?—They knew from a reference to the deed that I was an original subscriber, because I gave my name.

6866. You told us these persons did not know you?—They did not.

6867. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] How came they to know that you were an original subscriber?—Because I explained it to them.

6868. Mr. *Lord.*] Did these gentlemen who were in the room know that you were an original subscriber to the deed?—Yes.

6869. *Chairman.*] How did you happen to sign for 15 shares?—Because I did not consider I was warranted in signing for any more; I had previously dealt in them, and I had five by me.

6870. Who determined what the number of shares would be?—It was my own wish; I never do sign for any large number; I have dealt very largely in shares formerly.

6871. What passed; did you see the attesting witness put his name?—Yes, I think I did.

6872. You saw a gentleman sign his name as attesting witness, did you?—Yes.

6873. Did you read the name he wrote?—No, I considered it merely as a matter of form.

6874. After you had signed the deed, what took place?—After I had signed it I went away.

6875. Did nothing pass about the 10*s.* then?—Not in the office; I received the 10*s.*, but I was doubtful whether I should receive it from Mr. Chamberlain or anybody else; but the impression on my mind was that Mr. Chamberlain would have given me the money, but he did not; and as I was coming away a gentleman gave it to me.

6876. Where was it?—Not in the office, but out of doors.

6877. Out of the house?—It was on the staircase.

6878. It was in the house, but out of the room, was it?—Yes.

6879. Mr. *Lord.*] Did anything pass between that gentleman and you previously to his giving you the money?—No, nothing passed.

6880. He merely put the money into your hand?—Yes.

6881. Was he in the room when you first went in to sign the deed?—I am inclined to think he was not.

6882. Have you paid upon these latter shares?—No, I have not.

6883. Are they at a discount?—I believe they are.

6884. Do you intend to pay upon them if they continue at a discount?—If I am called upon.

6885. *Chairman.*] Do you expect to be called upon?—I think I shall be called upon, and I am willing to pay for them when I am called upon.

6886. Mr. *Lord.*] Are you in a situation to pay for these shares without borrowing the money?—I am.

6887. *Chairman.*] Does your name appear upon the Kent contract deed, "William Algernon Piercy, Elder-street, Spital-square, 500*l.*"?—Yes; I am an original subscriber.

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6888. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you know the amount you are liable to this railway for? —£.1,000, I believe.

6889. Can you pay that 1,000*l.*?—Will you allow me, in answer to that, to explain that there never has been known a case where the calls have been made at once; it is a thing so unusual that it cannot occur. I am positive that if the calls are made I am in a situation to pay; whether it will be by borrowing the money or otherwise, it is not the question.

6890. Do you know whether they have the power to call for all the money at once?—They have not, I should conceive.

6891. And within the time they can call upon you, you think you can pay the 1,000*l.*, do you?—Yes.

6892. Do you know from your book whether these railway shares were at a discount or a premium at the time you last signed the deed?—I am inclined to think they were at a discount then; but there was a rise in the market, and I thought they would be better.

6893. Why did you render yourself personally liable under your hand and seal to this company, when you could have bought the shares in the market at a discount?—I am not certain they were at a discount.

6894. Could you not have gone into the market and bought them?—Yes.

6895. How came you to render yourself and your family liable, when you could have bought them in the market?—That is a question I am not bound to answer.

6896. Do you recollect from memory to what amount you are liable to different railway companies, at this present moment?—It is impossible to tell: I deal in shares, and it is the nature of my business.

6897. To what amount do you think you are liable?—I cannot tell.

6898. Can you name any company to which you are a subscriber, besides the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway?—Yes; I am a subscriber to the Chester and Birkenhead.

9899. To what amount?—To the amount of 15 shares.

6900. *Chairman.*] How much is it per share?—To the amount of 50*l.* per share.

6901. Mr. *Lord.*] Now, are you a subscriber to a railway called the South Western or Kingsworth and West Monckton Railway?—I am.

6902. How much are you liable for in that company?—I paid in that company for 100 shares.

6903. How many times have you subscribed the deed?—Twice.

6904. *Chairman.*] How much per share; what is the amount?—£. 50. per share.

6905. Mr. *Lord.*] Is it 1,500*l.* or 5,000*l.* you are liable to in this company? —£. 5,000.

6906. Are you a shareholder in the London, Shoreham and Brighton Railway?—Yes, for 10 shares.

6907. *Chairman.*] How much is that per share?—£. 50 per share.

6908. Mr. *Lord.*] Can you inform the Committee what you are liable to the public for in the different railways you have subscribed for?—I cannot.

6909. *Chairman.*] Did you sign any subscription to the South Eastern, Brighton, Lewes and Newhaven Railway?—I beg leave to decline answering that question.

6910. Mr. *Coppock.*] In the petition of Mr. Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, it is stated that you, for the consideration of 10*s.*, signed, at the office of the surveyor, at No. 24, Bucklersbury, for five shares, under the name of William Algernon Piercy, Angel-court; and also for 15 shares under the name of William Algernon Piercy; I believe you have stated that the first five shares were signed for by you at the office of the solicitor of the company?—Yes.

6911. And the deposits were paid by you?—Yes.

6912. Did you ever see any one besides Mr. Chamberlain who offered you any inducement to sign the company's deed at No. 24, Bucklersbury?—Not anybody.

6913. Is it not the usual plan of dealers in shares to have a person in all railways to sell the shares between deposit and the next first call?—Certainly.

6914. And there is a clause in the Act for that?—Yes.

6915. Mr. *Thornely.*] That is after you receive the scrip?—Yes; and sometimes

times we sell them before we receive the scrip; it is not an unusual thing in our business to sell shares even before we have them. Mr. *W. Piercy.* 21 April 1837.

6916. Did you see the scrip at the office in Bucklersbury?—No.

6917. You did not see it before you were permitted to sign?—No; but I pointed out my name on the deed.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Abraham Haiam Salom*, called in; and Examined.

6918-19. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you reside?—I live at Mile-end. Mr. *A. H. Salom.*

6920. Is this your handwriting (*showing the deed to the Witness*)?—Yes; this is my handwriting.

6921. Read that line as far as it is your handwriting?—As far as the "forty," is my handwriting; the 2 *l.* immediately following is not in my handwriting.

6922. "Deposit 80 *l.*," is that your handwriting?—No.

6923. Did you pay any deposit?—No, I did not.

6924. Mr. *Lord.*] You have described yourself as of No. 2, Sweeting's-rents?—That is where I do my business; it is at the Edinburgh Castle Coffee-house.

6925. For what number of shares have you signed that deed?—I have signed for 40 shares.

6926. Had you previously signed the deed?—I never signed any deed.

6927. Did you make any application to the company in the usual way, by letter?—I did not.

6928. State the day, or somewhere near about the time, that you signed the deed for the 40 shares?—I cannot say the day, but I think it was in February.

6929. Did you have any previous communication with any person to induce you to go and sign the deed?—I did.

6930. Will you state the name of that person?—Mr. Jacobs met me on 'Change and asked me to sign the deed for a person who held the *bonâ fide* shares. I was unfortunately induced to do it under the impression that that person would appear here and produce those shares. I was assured most solemnly that he would do so, and under the impression that I was doing no wrong, I signed the deed.

6931. Did Mr. Chamberlain tell you that that person would appear here?—Not here, because we never anticipated anything of that kind then. I was asked to sign for these shares, and I was assured it was for a person who held the *bonâ fide* shares.

6932. Mr. *Thornely.*] Was the name told to you?—It was not.

6933. *Chairman.*] Have you learnt it since?—No, I have not.

6934. Mr. *Lord.*] Who told you it was for a person who held the *bonâ fide* shares?—Mr. Jacobs.

6935. Was this person whom you supposed to hold the shares connected in any way with the company?—No, I was told quite the contrary.

6936. Were you told his name?—No, I was not.

6937. Then how do you know he was not connected with the company?—I was told he was not connected with the company.

6938. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did you then sign this deed?—I did.

6939. Where did you sign it?—At Bucklersbury.

6940. Do you know the number of the house?—I do not.

6941. Who was present when you signed the deed?—There were three or four persons.

6942. Did you produce any ticket when you went to sign the deed?—I did. I had a little bit of a ticket given me by Mr. Jacobs, and there was a number on it.

6943. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you produce a card to the gentleman in the room?—I did.

6944. Have you seen any of the gentlemen present who were in the room?—I could not tell; I should not know them.

6945. Was that in consequence of the darkness of the room?—The room was obscure, certainly, but I do not mean to say it was a disguised room; I should say it was the weather.

6946. Mr. *Thornely.*] Was the name of the attesting witness placed on the deed when you were present?—I do not know.

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6947. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you see anybody sign their name as the attesting witness after you signed the deed?—I do not know.

6948. Did any person take a pen in his hand?—I cannot recollect.

6949. Previously to their allowing you to sign this deed at all, were you asked for the bankrupt's scrip receipt?—No, I was not.

6950. Now could you collect any information from the persons present how they knew you were entitled to sign the deed for those 40 shares?—I was sent there for the purpose of signing for those 40 shares.

6951. Mr. *Thornely.*] You took a card with you?—Yes, and I was told at the office I was to sign for those 40 shares.

6952. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you tell them at the office who told you you were to sign for those 40 shares?—No, they did not ask me.

6953. Did it appear to you that they would let anybody sign who came there?—I cannot say.

6954. Did anybody else sign when you were in the room?—No, I cannot say that I saw anybody; I saw some people going out and others coming in.

6955. Did you see anybody receive any money?—No, I did not.

6956. After you had signed the deed did you receive any money?—Unfortunately I did, which I have regretted ever since.

6957. Mr. *Thornely.*] How much did you receive?—Ten shillings.

6958. Did you receive it in the room?—No, on the staircase.

6959. Mr. *Lord.*] Was the gentleman you received the money from on the staircase or in the room when you first went in?—I do not know; he was on the staircase when I went out.

6960. Was this gentleman in the room talking with the rest?—I cannot say.

6961. Will you take upon yourself to say he was not?—I cannot say yes or no.

6962. Mr. *Thornely.*] Had he any communication, to your knowledge, with the persons inside the room?—I cannot say. I should never have asked for the 10*s.*; but as I was coming out a man put 10*s.* into my hand.

6963. Mr. *Lord.*] Does that often happen to you?—No, and I am very sorry it has happened now. It never happened on any other occasion. I do not tell you that I had not been told that I was to get the 10*s.*

9964. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Who told you that you were to have 10*s.*?—Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Chamberlain.

6965. Mr. *Lord.*] Was it given in a secret manner?—It was put into my hand upon the staircase; I explained it publicly.

6966. When the gentleman paid you the 10*s.*, was it paid in gold or silver?—Gold; it was a half sovereign.

6967. Did it happen to slip into your hand when he was shaking hands with you?—It was held out, and of course I took it; and I am very sorry I did take it.

6968. Do you always put your hand out to receive 10*s.* on these occasions?—Not any more than you do.

6969. How many persons were present in the room when you executed the deed?—Three or four.

6970. When Mr. Chamberlain directed you to go to this place to sign the deed, did he state to you he was instructed by the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company to do so?—Never; no company was mentioned to me at all.

6971. Then you did not know what company's deed you were going to sign?—I did not see any writing; I saw no deed; I have condemned myself 10,000 times for not having read that which I was going to sign.

6972. By whom were you told?—Mr. Jacobs.

6973. He told you it was the Westminster Bridge and Greenwich and Deptford Railway Company's deed, did he?—He told me it was for that purpose I went there.

6974. Did the names of any of the parties at the office transpire when you were signing this deed?—I did not hear a word spoken.

6975. They did not speak at all?—They said nothing to me.

6976. Did they speak to each other?—I cannot tell whether they did or not.

6977. Did the names of any persons transpire?—Not one, upon my honour.

6978. You never paid upon these shares, did you?—No.

6979. Now, if you were called upon to pay upon these shares, if they were

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at a discount, would you pay upon them?—No, nor if they were at a premium either. Mr. *A. H. Salom.*

6980. Do you consider you are in a situation to pay upon them?—No, I am not. 21 April 1837.

6981. You cannot afford to pay upon them, can you?—No; and I am very sorry I have done it.

6982. You have signed for another person?—I signed for a person who I was assured had the *boná fide* shares.

6983. You do not know that the person for whom you signed had any interest in the company, do you?—No; I understand that he so far had an interest that he held the shares; that I was assured of.

6984. How did you know that?—Because Mr. Jacobs informed me.

6985. Mr. *Thornely.*] What is your business?—I am an agent in shares; and I am a chemist by profession.

6986. Where do you carry on your business as a chemist?—In Globe-road; I am only a private chemist.

6987. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you live in Sweeting's-rents?—No; that is where I do my business in shares.

6988. Where do you reside?—In Globe-road, Mile-end.

6989. Mr. *Thornely.*] Do you know the amount for which you are bound by signing those 40 shares?—Not exactly.

6990. Do you know that the amount you signed for was 2,000*l.*?—I do not remember the handwriting at all which specifies the amount of shares. I see now the amount, but it is not my handwriting.

6991. At the time of signing the deed, were you aware that you were binding yourself to the payment of 2000*l.*?—I was aware I was binding myself; but I thought I was doing it for one whom I was running no risk for, and I come forward to say that I am incapacitated, and am a man of no property.

6992. Mr. *Lord.*] Will you describe your address accurately?—I live in a house under the will of Mr. Joseph Barrow, my late employer in the island of Barbadoes, who, for my faithful services, left me 500*l.* and the living in that house in Devonshire-street.

6993. After your decease, does it go to any trustees for the Jews' almshouses?—No; after my decease it goes to my wife and children.

6994. Then it is not one of the Jews' almshouses?—No, it is no almshouse at all; my house has seven rooms in it.

6995. Then it is not part of the Jews' almshouses?—No, it is not; there are no Jews' almshouses. There is a gentleman in the room who knows the nature of my house, and there is nothing of that appearance.

6996. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did any person hold any communication with you except Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Chamberlain, to induce you to sign these deeds?—Never.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *Francis Newcomb*, called in; and Examined.

6997. Mr. *Thornely.*] LOOK at this signature; is that your signature?—Yes, it is. Mr. *F. Newcomb.*

6998. How far is it your handwriting?—It is all my handwriting.

6999. "Francis Newcomb, Old Kent-road, 40 shares;" that is your handwriting, is it?—Yes.

7000. The "two thousand" is not your handwriting, is it?—No, it is not.

7001. Is the 80*l.* deposit paid?—No, it is not.

7002. Did you pay any deposit?—No.

7003. Your residence is correctly stated, is it?—Yes.

7004. Mr. *Lord.*] Your residence is in some street, Old Kent-road, is it?—No, in no street; No. 6, Doncaster-place, Old Kent-road.

7005. Mr. *Thornely.*] Was the name of the attesting witness, T. H. Payne, signed in your presence?—That I cannot say, because I do not recollect.

7006. Mr. *Lord.*] Did it appear whether it was previously signed in the deed?—I have no recollection of it at all, whether it was or not.

7007. How many shares did you sign this deed for?—For 40 shares.

7008. When did you do so?—I do not know exactly.

7009. Tell us near about; was it the beginning of February?—I should think it was some time in February.

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7010. Had any previous communication been made to you to induce you to go and sign for these shares?—Yes, I was asked to go and sign for them.

7011. Who asked you?—Mr. Chamberlain.

7012. Did he state the name of the company that you were to sign for?—I cannot recollect.

7013. Mr. *Thornely.*] Had you any communication with any other person but Mr. Chamberlain?—I believe I received a ticket from Mr. Jacobs.

7014. Where did you receive that ticket?—On the Royal Exchange.

7015. Mr. *Lord.*] When you received the ticket, was Mr. Chamberlain present?—No, he was not.

7016. Did he direct you to go to Mr. Jacobs to receive the ticket?—I believe he did.

7017. Having got that ticket, where did you go, and what did you do?—I went to Bucklersbury.

7018. Who told you to go to Bucklersbury?—Mr. Chamberlain.

7019. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did you go alone?—I think Mr. Chamberlain went with me.

7020. Mr. *Lord.*] At the time you were directed to go to Bucklersbury, did you know the offices of the company from prospectuses or otherwise?—Yes.

7021. Where were they at that time?—In Cornhill.

7022. Had you ever seen any prospectus of the company, or had you seen it promulgated by advertisement or otherwise that they had any office in Bucklersbury?—No.

7023. Was there any person in the room when you arrived at Bucklersbury?—There were three or four persons.

7024. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did Mr. Chamberlain go into the room with you?—I think he did.

7025. Mr. *Lord.*] Did he seem to be known to those gentlemen in the room; did they talk together?—I think he did speak to a gentleman in the room.

7026. Did he introduce you as if he were the agent to the persons in the room, and known to them?—No, he did not.

7027. But he was known to some persons in the room?—As far as my memory serves me, I think he spoke to a gentleman who was there.

7028. Did he remain in the room while you signed this deed?—I cannot say.

7029. You cannot inform the Committee whether he did or did not remain in the room?—I am not certain, and I cannot charge my memory with it.

7030. Were you introduced to those gentlemen in the room by any person?—By Mr. Chamberlain.

7031. Did you produce this ticket given to you by Mr. Jacobs in the presence of Mr. Chamberlain and the other gentlemen in the room?—I gave my ticket to some gentleman who was there.

7032. Did he seem to understand the meaning of the ticket?—Yes.

7033. Did he know how many shares or inform you what number of shares you were to sign for, or did you tell him the number you were to sign for?—I had no orders as to the number; but when I signed, I signed for 40 shares.

7034. How came you to sign for 40 shares?—I think I asked some gentleman present, and they said 40 shares.

7035. What do you mean by asking a gentleman present the number of shares you were to sign for?—I mean the gentleman with the book.

7036. When you asked that question, did you mean him to understand that you were willing to sign for as many as he wanted you?—No, I did not.

7037. Would you have signed for more than 40, if you had been asked?—I do not think I should.

7038. When you signed this deed, did the gentleman present ask you for the banker's receipt?—No.

7039. Had you made any previous usual application to the company for any number of shares?—I wrote for shares.

7040. How many months previously was it you wrote for shares?—I cannot exactly say; but several months, I should think.

7041. Did you write for more than 40 shares?—No.

7042. Did you write for so many as 40 shares?—It was either 30 or 40.

7043. Were any shares allotted to you in consequence of that application?—No.

7044. Then these 40 shares you have signed for were never allotted to you by the company in the regular way?—No.

7045. After you had signed, did Mr. Chamberlain remain in the room until you went away?—I cannot recollect.

7046. He did not accompany you your way?—He might.

7047. Did you receive any money upon that occasion?—I did.

7048. State what it was?—Ten shillings.

7049. Was the person from whom you received the 10*s.* in the room at the time you first went in?—That I cannot say.

7050. Where was he when you received the 10*s.*?—As I was going out of the door, he put a half-sovereign into my hand.

7051. Should you think he was attached to this establishment?—I cannot say.

7052. Assuming Mr. Chamberlain accompanied you away, was he present when you received this 10*s.*?—I cannot recollect.

7053. Assuming he accompanied you away, would he have been near you?—He might be in the room or out; I cannot charge my memory with it.

7054. Now, with respect to this 10*s.*, was it paid in silver?—No, in gold.

7055. Was there any degree of secrecy used in the payment of it, as if they wished people not to see it done openly?—There was no person present when I received it, and therefore I cannot say. There was a gentleman going out.

7056. Mr. *Thornely.*] Was that gentleman in the room while you were there?—I am not certain whether he was or not.

7057. Mr. *Lord.*] Was it not done by shaking you by the hand, and dropping it into your hand?—No; he put it into my hand.

7058. Did you previously know you were to have this 10*s.* from this particular person?—No, not from that particular person.

7059. Mr. *Thornely.*] You were told you were to receive that 10*s.*, were you?—Yes, for the trouble of going down there.

7060. Who promised that to you?—Mr. Chamberlain.

7061. Mr. *Lord.*] How came you to know, if you had not seen this person before, that he was the person from whom you were to receive this 10*s.*?—I do not know the gentleman.

7062. Did you stay and hold out your hand without knowing he was going to give you any money?—I did not stop; I was going down stairs.

7063. Describe the mode in which it was done; was it done secretly?—I was going down stairs, and he put the money into my hand.

7064. Did he owe you any money at the time?—No, he did not.

7065. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Where did you expect to receive that 10*s.*?—That I did not know, either when or where I was to receive it.

7066. Mr. *Thornely.*] Were you aware at the time you signed for these 40 shares to what pecuniary amount you were binding yourself?—In business we are obliged to sign these things sometimes.

7067. Were you aware that you were binding yourself for the sum of 2,000*l.*?—Yes, I was.

7068. Was it your intention to take up those 40 shares and pay the deposits?—I should have endeavoured to have done it, certainly.

7069. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you know who attested the execution of the deed by you?—No, I do not.

7070. In looking round the room do you happen to see any gentleman who was there at that time?—No, I do not.

7071. Was it dark in the room?—It was a dark afternoon, about four o'clock.

7072. Have you ever known it to be the office of the company since that time?—No.

7073. Did you ever know it to be the office of the company before that time?—No.

7074. Mr. *Coppock.*] You stated that you originally applied for shares in this company?—I did.

7075. For 20 shares?—Yes, as far as my memory serves me.

7076. You said none were allotted to you, I think?—No, none were allotted to me.

7077. Did you apply for those shares under an impression that the company was likely to be beneficial to the public?—Yes, I did.

7078. You supposed the shares were likely to be a valuable property, did you?—Yes?

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7079. Did any person ask you but Mr. Chamberlain or Mr. Jacobs?—No.

7080. Had you any communication with any other person on the subject, previous to signing the deed, but those two persons?—No, I had not.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *John Jackson*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. John Jackson.

7081. Mr. *Thornely.*] WHAT is your business?—I am a stock-jobber.

7082. Where is your residence?—No. 14, Dorset-crescent, New North-road.

7083. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—I have been, but am not at present.

7084. Look at this signature and see if it is yours, and how much of that line is in your handwriting (*showing a deed to the Witness*)?—"John Jackson, No. 14, Dorset-place, New North-road, 10 shares."

7085. What was the name of the attesting witness?—George F. Gritton.

7086. Was that signed in your presence?—It was.

7087. Did you pay any deposit?—I did.

7088. Did you sign after that?—Yes, for 50 shares.

7089. Who is the attesting witness to that deed (*showing another deed to the Witness*)?—A gentleman of the name of Payne.

7090. Was that written while you were present?—Yes, it was; at least, I think it was.

7091. Did you pay the deposit of 100*l.*?—No, I did not.

7092. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Have you received anything for signing?—Yes, I did.

7093. How much?—Ten shillings.

7094. Mr. *Lord.*] Previously to signing the deed, will you inform the Committee when it was you signed this deed for these last shares?—I do not know the date exactly, but I should think two months ago.

7095. Should you be wrong in stating the early part of February?—I should think not; but I do not know the date exactly.

7096. Had you received previously any communication from any person to induce you to sign this deed?—Not at the time; not previously.

7097. When you say at the time, do you mean in the room?—No, previously to going into the room.

7098. Did any person give you a ticket, disclosing to you where you were to go to?—Yes.

7099. What was the name of that person?—Mr. Jacobs.

7100. Do you know a Mr. Chamberlain?—Yes, I do.

7101. Had he ever made any previous communication to you or to Mr. Jacobs, in your presence, relative to your signing this deed?—I think Mr. Chamberlain told me the deed was to be signed.

7102. Was any ticket delivered to you?—I have told you already that Mr. Jacobs gave me a ticket.

7103. Mr. *Thornely.*] Mr. Chamberlain first applied to you to sign, did he?—I cannot say exactly; but I think he was the person.

7104. Were there any clerks there?—There were two or three individuals there, but they were entire strangers to me.

7105. Was there any deed belonging to the company open on the table?—There was.

7106. Was it the Parliamentary or subscription deed of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company?—I really do not know which it was; but there was a deed lying there.

7107. Did you sign any deed?—Yes, I did.

7108. Do you believe that was the subscription deed of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company?—I believe it was.

7109. Was the name of any gentleman present disclosed to you, by conversation or otherwise?—Not at all.

7110. Did you know any of them?—No, I did not.

7111. You have not seen them since?—Not to my knowledge.

7112. Were you paid any money upon this occasion?—I was.

7113. Was the person who paid you the 10*s.* in the room when you first went in?—Yes.

7114. Did he seem to be known to the gentlemen in the room?—I presume he must have been known, because he paid me the money.

7115. Did

7115. Did he pay you in the room?—No, outside.

7116. Mr. *Lord.*] When he paid you the 10*s.*, did he owe you anything?—No, he did not.

7117. Then this 10*s.* was not paid you in liquidation of any debt?—No, it was not.

7118. Was it paid in the presence of any gentleman in the room?—No, it was not.

7119. Was it paid out of the room?—Yes, it was.

7120. Was it paid secretly?—Not at all.

7121. Mr. *Thornely.*] What object did Mr. Chamberlain express in desiring you to sign that deed?—I do not know, except it was to serve me

7122. Then you signed it for the sake of the 10*s.*, did you not?—Yes.

7123. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you produce the banker's receipt previous to signing the deed?—Decidedly not.

7124. Were you asked for it?—No.

7125. Do you happen to know the price of the shares on that day?—I do not.

7126. Do you know whether they were at a premium or a discount?—I really do not know.

7127. Do you believe you could have bought them at par?—I do not know the price.

7128. Have you paid upon these shares since?—No, I have not.

7129. Do you consider yourself in a situation to pay for the number of shares you have signed for if you are called upon?—It is time enough for me to answer that question when I am called upon.

7130. Can you inform the Committee why you make a distinction between Dorset-place in one part of the deed and Dorset-place in another?—I did it in error; and if you look at the deed where I signed for the 10 shares in the first instance, you will find it is Dorset-crescent in one deed, and Dorset-place in the other.

7131. Is there one place called Dorset-place and another called Dorset-crescent?—I am not aware of it.

7132. That place where you have described yourself you never resided in?—Never.

7133. So that the description is wrong?—I wish it to be explained. It was upon the 10 shares I had originally taken, and I certainly unintentionally signed the one deed as Dorset-place and the other as Dorset-crescent; but I was in a hurry, and the deed was done without consideration.

7134. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Are you a housekeeper?—I am not.

7135. Mr. *Lord.*] Which is your first signature?—The correct one.

7136. When you signed for the larger quantity of shares, the description was incorrect?—No, it was not.

7137. Did you reside there?—Yes, I did, and do now.

7138. How do you account for the inaccuracy?—I wanted to explain that. When I signed for the 10 shares in the subscription deed, I put Dorset-crescent in the one deed, and Dorset-place in the other; that was the original 10 shares that were given to me; but in the 50 I put it Dorset-crescent. It was perfectly unintentional in the first instance; I could have no motive for it.

7139. Mr. *Lord.*] Could you state in a round sum the amount you are liable for to the public under different railway deeds?—No, I cannot.

3140. Have you signed many subscription deeds?—I have signed others.

7141. Did you ever sign any other describing yourself as of Dorset-place?—Never.

7142. Did you ever describe yourself as of Dorset-crescent?—In the whole of them, excepting this one.

7143. Can you account to the Committee for having made that mistake?—No, I cannot.

7144. While these shares remain at a discount do you intend to take them up?—I do not consider that a fair question to ask.

7145. Mr. *Coppock.*] When you signed the name of John Jackson, No. 14, Dorset-place, New North-road, for 10 shares, where did you sign the subscription deeds for those shares?—At Mr. Hoppe's.

7146. And you paid the deposit of 2*l.* on each share, did you?—Yes.

7147. Then the allegation contained in this petition, that you were induced by Mr. Chamberlain to sign the deed for those 10 shares, is false?—Most decidedly.

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7148. Dorset-place is not the correct place of residence, is it?—No, it is Dorset-crescent.

7149. When you signed your name, John Jackson, 14, Dorset-crescent, for which you received 10 *s.*, you signed the correct place of residence, did you?—Yes, I did.

7150. And on those shares did you pay any deposit?—None.

7151. Did you not apply originally for shares?—Yes.

7152. How many did you apply for?—Twenty.

7153. And you got 10 allotted to you?—Yes.

7154. Did you apply for those shares under the idea that the shares would fetch a good price?—Yes; and that I should be able to sell them at a profit.

7155. In the market, railway shares are supposed to be valuable in the way in which they will be of benefit to the public, are they not?—Yes.

7156. Mr. *Thornely.*] You signed for 10 shares at the office of the company, did you not?—Yes.

7157. You signed the same deed afterwards in Bucklersbury?—Yes.

7158. Where was the office of the company when you signed for the 10 shares?—In Cornhill.

7159. Mr. *Brotherton.*] Do you retain the 10 shares for which you paid the deposit?—No, I do not.

7160. *Chairman.*] Did you sell them at a premium, or at a discount?—At a premium.

7161. What premium?—That I cannot say.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw.

Mr. *John Crosby Henderson*, called in; and Examined.

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7162. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—A general jobber in the stock business.

7163. Where do you conduct your business?—At the Stock Exchange and Royal Exchange.

7164. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—I was so formerly, but I am not so now.

7165. Where do you live?—In Baldwin-street, City-road.

7166. Have you any counting-house where you carry on your business?—Yes.

7167. Did you sign the Parliamentary contract of the Westminster Bridge and the Deptford and Greenwich Railway?—I did.

7168. Is that your name and handwriting [*showing a deed to the Witness*]?—Yes.

7169. Read so much of it as is written by yourself?—" John Crosby Henderson, 55, Baldwin-street, City-road, gentleman, 30 shares, 1,500 *l.*"

7170. Is " 30 shares" written by yourself?—Yes.

7171. Is the " 1,500 *l.*" written by yourself?—Yes.

7172. Is there any deposit attached to it?—Yes; but that is not written by myself.

7173. Did you pay any deposit at the time?—No, I did not.

7174. Have you paid any deposit since?—No.

7175. Mr. *Lord.*] What is the date, or near about the time, when you executed the deed?—The beginning of February, I believe.

7176. February last, do you mean?—Yes.

7177. Where did you execute it?—In Bucklersbury.

7178. Do you know the number?—No, I do not.

7179. At the time you attended to execute the deed, did you know where the office of the company was?—Yes.

7180. Was it at 24, Bucklersbury?—No, I understood it to be in the Old Jewry.

7181. Did you ever know No. 24, Bucklersbury, to be used as the office for the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company before that time, or since?—No.

7182. Did you go there in consequence of any previous communication with any person?—I was asked the question whether I would like to sign, having a call of shares.

7183. Inform the Committee the name of the person who asked you to sign the deed?—Chamberlain.

7184. What were the words he used to you?—He asked if I had any objection to sign to the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway.

7185. He

7185. He mentioned the name of the railway?—He believed it was; that he was not sure whether it was that or the city.

7186. Did he state to you, that you were to receive any money if you signed the deed?—He said there would be half a sovereign; but that was not the consideration on my part.

7187. *Chairman.*] Where did this conversation take place with you and Chamberlain?—At the Royal Exchange.

7188. Was any ticket delivered to you by Chamberlain?—I think he brought me down a ticket to say where I was to go to.

7189. Was it written on the outside of the ticket?—I did not look at it; he told me the corner of Bucklersbury, leading down to the corner of Walbrook.

7190. The address of the place where you were to go was not written on the ticket?—I did not look at it.

7191. You were directed to look at it?—I was not.

7192. What did you conceive the use of that ticket to be?—I did not understand it was anything of the sort; he merely said I was to go there and show the ticket and sign the document.

7193. When you showed the ticket at Bucklersbury, they seemed to understand the use of it?—Yes, it admitted me into the room.

7194. Then, in point of fact, it was a ticket of admission?—Yes.

7195. When you went into the room, was the deed that you signed lying open on the table for signature?—Yes.

7196. Were there any persons in the room?—Five or six people.

7197. Did you know them?—No.

7198. Were there any names mentioned, or was there any conversation that disclosed the names of those gentlemen to you?—None.

7199. Were you asked by any person in the room whether you had any banker's receipt, previously to signing the deed?—No.

7200. Then you drew an inference that the production of this ticket was the certificate; in fact, that you were the person to sign the deed?—Of course.

7201. Did Mr. Chamberlain tell you what number of shares you would be required to sign for?—No.

7202. Who did tell you so?—The person who had the deed before him asked me whether I had any objection to sign for 30 shares; I said I had not.

7203. Was the deed witnessed after you had signed it?—I do not know; the person who saw my signature asked me if that was my act and deed; I said, yes, and put my finger upon the seal.

7204. You did not see him write his name in your presence?—No.

7205. Was that the gentleman who asked you if you had any objection to sign for 30 shares?—Yes.

7206. Did you receive any money upon this occasion?—When I went out of the room, a gentleman in a dark passage put half a sovereign into my hand.

7207. *Chairman.*] Was the gentleman in the dark passage one of the gentlemen who had been in the room?—I am sure I cannot say.

7208. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you know, previously to going into the passage, the gentleman in the dark passage was to give you half a sovereign?—No; I had no more idea than you have where it was to come from.

7209. But you had been informed previously by Chamberlain that you were to be paid, and that there was to be half a sovereign for you; will you describe the mode in which this person gave you the half sovereign?—He merely put it into my hand, and said nothing.

7210. You never saw him before?—No; I do not think I should know him now.

7211. Did it not appear rather odd, meeting a person in a dark passage, he should put half a sovereign into your hand?—Not at all, because I understood I was to receive the money.

7212. What conversation took place upon your receiving the half-sovereign?—Not a word passed.

7213. Had you been previously told not to say anything of the half-sovereign?—I had not.

7214. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Did you understand that the giving of this half-sovereign was the result of the expectation held out to you by Chamberlain?—I expected the half-sovereign from what he said; but I looked afterwards to the having of the shares.

7215. In consequence of the communication from Chamberlain, you were not surprised

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surprised at the 10 *s.* being put into your hand?—No, that was not the consideration with me.

7216. Mr. *Lord.*] Have you paid any deposit upon those shares?—No.

7217. If you were called upon to pay deposits, are you in a situation do so?—Yes, I can borrow money to do so.

7218. Out of your private funds you cannot do it?—I have lost money enough by shares already.

7219. Then you signed the deed with a view of selling the shares, and getting profit by it?—If I could have done it.

7220. And if they did not go up to a premium, you were to pay nothing?—No; I should not have taken them of course.

7221. So that if they do not go up to a premium, you will not take them?—Certainly not; I did not think I was called upon to do it.

7222. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did you ever apply for any shares in this company?—No.

7223. Do you know any of the directors or officers of the company?—None.

7224. Have they ever applied to you?—I have never seen any one of them.

7225. Nobody has ever applied to you but Chamberlain?—No.

7226. All communications relative to this deed took place with Chamberlain?—Yes.

7227. All the parties at Bucklersbury were strangers to you?—Entirely so.

7228. *Chairman.*] Did the person who paid you the half-sovereign owe you any money at the time?—No.

7229. Did you see the person whose name is written as attesting witness write his name at the time you signed?—No.

7230. Did you see any person write his name as attesting witness?—No.

7231. You do not know when the attestation was written?—No.

[The Witness was directed to withdraw, and withdrew accordingly.

Mr. *Henry Penny,* called in; and Examined.

Mr. *Henry Penny.*

7232. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your Christian name?—Henry Penny.

7233. Where do you live?—No. 4, Mulberry-court, Coleman-street.

7234. What is your business?—A baker.

7235. Where do you carry on the business of baking?—I am not in business.

7236. Where did you carry on that business?—In Great St. Andrew-street.

7237. What is your occupation now?—I am along with a sheriff's officer.

7238. Are you a sheriff's officer?—I am.

7239. You are an assistant to him?—Yes.

7240. In what capacity do you assist him?—I go into possession sometimes.

7241. Did you sign your name to the Deptford and Westminster Bridge Parliamentary contract?—I did.

7242. Is that your own handwriting?—Yes.

7243. Read the whole line as far as you wrote it yourself?—"Henry Penny, Bell-alley, Coleman-street, gentleman."

7244. Did you put the figures there?—No.

7245. The 25 shares?—No.

7246. Did you write gentleman?—No.

7247. That which is not your own handwriting, is "gentleman, F. H. Payne, 25 shares, 1,250 *l.*, 50 *l.* deposit;" did you pay any deposit; have you paid any since?—Certainly not.

7248. Mr. *Green.*] Did you authorize any person to put gentleman against your name in the deed which you have just looked at?—No.

7249. Did you authorize any person to insert that sum of money against your name in the deed which is just put before you?—No.

7250. Will you state whether you had any card given to you by any person?—Yes.

7251. By whom?—A gentleman, Mr. Garland.

7252. What is he?—A sheriff's officer.

7253. Where does he reside?—He lives at Camberwell; but his office is at No. 8, Mason's-alley, Coleman-street.

7254. Had you any conversation with Mr. Garland previous to his giving you that card?—None at all.

7255. Will you state what was on the card?—I really cannot say what it was; it was merely for me to go and sign my name.

7256. Did

7256. Did he ask you to go and sign your name without stating what it was?—He said I was to go and sign my name.

7257. Did he tell you where?—Yes, to Bucklersbury.

7258. Did he accompany you to Bucklersbury?—No.

7259. Did any person from Mr. Garland accompany you to Bucklersbury?—Not that I know of.

7260. When you got to the office at Bucklersbury, did you see anybody in the room whom you knew?—Yes, I did; one person.

7261. What was his name?—Mr. Simson.

7262. What is he?—A sheriff's officer.

7263. Where does he reside?—I do not know.

7264. Was he a sheriff's officer, or sheriff's officer's follower?—He is his brother's follower, who is an officer.

7265. Have you been with Simson within the last week?—I have seen him to-day.

7266. Is he in this room now?—Yes.

7267. When you went into the room, to whom did you give the card?—I really do not know.

7268. Were there so many persons in the room you cannot tell to whom you gave it?—There were about three or four.

7269. After you had signed the deed, did any of the parties in the room have any conversation with you?—Nothing at all.

7270. Did you have any conversation with any one previous to your signing the deed?—Not a word.

7271. Are you in the habit of attaching your name to deeds of this description without speaking to the parties?—It is not a customary thing with me at all to attach my name to anything.

7272. Did you ever sign any other deed under similar circumstances?—No.

7273. How was it Mr. Garland applied to you, you never having done such a thing before?—I cannot say.

7274. Is Mr. Garland in any way connected with parties belonging to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway?—Not that I know of.

7275. Do you know a person of the name of Hoppe?—I do not.

7276. Have you heard that Mr. Hoppe is solicitor to the company?—No, I never heard anything about it.

7277. Do you know that Mr. Garland is the party employed by Mr. Hoppe, the solicitor to the company, when his writs are to be issued?—I cannot say.

7278. After you had signed the deed, were you paid any sum of money for doing it?—I did not see any money there at all.

7279. Did you receive any money anywhere else for signing that deed?—I received some money, but not there.

7280. Where did you receive it?—I received some money in the street; not in Bucklersbury, but in the Old Jewry.

7281. At what house?—A public-house.

7282. Can you mention the sign?—I cannot say.

7283. It was not the office of the company, was it?—No.

7284. Who paid you the money?—I do not know.

7285. Were you paid the money?—I was paid: there was a sovereign changed, and we had a pint of beer; and we had 9*s.* 11*d.* a piece.

7286. Was that one of your brother companions?—I do not know who he was.

7287. Did you see him attach his name to the deed?—I do not know.

7288. Did you meet him at the office?—Not that I know of.

7289. How was it you came to be with him?—I saw him just as I was going out in the passage; he said, "You will stop, here is a half-sovereign for you." We went to a public-house, and had a pint of beer; he gave me 9*s.* 11*d.*, and had 9*s.* 11*d.* himself.

7290. Did you see the party who paid you the half-sovereign receive any money?—No, I did not.

7291. Did this party state to you, who paid you a sum of money going along from Bucklersbury to the Old Jewry, that he had received a sum of money which he had to pay you?—He said he had got to give me half a sovereign.

7292. Did he state why he had to pay it?—Not at all.

7293. Did you consider the receipt of the half-sovereign was for signing the deed?—I did.

7294. Were you told, previous to going to sign the deed, you should receive the half-sovereign?—No.

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7295. *Chairman.*] What were you told?—Nothing more than to go and sign the deed. I had a ticket given to me, but I did not know what it would be, until this person, who took me to the public-house, gave me the half-sovereign.

7296. Mr. *Green.*] Were you told, by any of the agents belonging to this company under inquiry, you were to be paid any sum of money for signing the deed?—I was not.

7297. Do you know Mr. Chamberlain, or any of the officers of the company?—No.

7298. Do you know the amount of money your name appears to in the deed?—No, I do not.

7299. If your name appears upon the deed for 2,000*l.*, are you capable of paying it?—No.

7300. Do you consider you have a right to be called upon to pay that sum of money?—No.

7301. Have you signed that deed in ignorance of the responsibility you have incurred?—I believe I have.

7302. Was the money attached to your signature put upon the deed after you had signed your name, or was it before you had signed your name?—I really cannot say.

7303. *Chairman.*] Did you see the sum of money written upon the parchment, opposite the place where you wrote your name, before you wrote it?—No, I did not notice it; my sight is very bad, and it was rather dark, it was a foggy day.

7304. Did the party who paid you the sum of money at the public-house owe you any money?—No, he did not.

7305. Did Garland, previous to your going to sign the deed, state that you were incurring any risk, or anything to that effect?—Garland said nothing about it; he merely said there was a ticket, and I was to go and sign.

7306. You have stated the only part upon the deed which is in your handwriting is the Christian and surname?—Yes.

7307. Is the address in your writing?—No, the address is not my writing.

7308. Is the number of shares?—No.

7309. Is the amount of the subscription?—No.

7310. The amount of deposit?—No.

7311. Was it all filled in after you had signed the deed, or how?—I really cannot say.

7312. Mr. *Coppock.*] Do you know any of the directors of this company?—No; not at all.

7313. I presume, in your vocation, if Mr. Garland were to depute you to go and take any person prisoner, you would go and do it?—Certainly.

7314. And therefore if Mr. Garland were to say to you, go and sign such a book or such a document, you would conceive it to be something in his business which you would be justified in so doing?—Yes.

7315. Is Mr. Garland a responsible man?—Yes, he is.

7316. Sheriffs' officers give some sort of security, do they not?—Yes, 2,000*l.*

7317. He is perfectly able to pay the amount?—Yes.

7318. Or a much larger amount?—Yes.

7319. Now, this public-house in the Old Jewry you spoke of, is it not a common place where gentlemen of your profession resort to and meet?—Frequently.

7320. And there you meet and consult what is best to be done?—Yes.

7321. And you and somebody else had a sovereign, and you took out 9*s.* 11*d.*, making you pay for your share of the pint of beer, which brought down your share of the sovereign to 9*s.* 11*d.*?—Just so.

7322. You did not take particular notice of the deed before signing?—No.

7323. Nor can you say that all the columns where your name is were filled in before you signed it?—No.

7324. So that if there had been three or four lines filled in above or below, you would not have noticed it?—No.

7325. Garland is a solvent man, and a man whose orders you would obey?—Exactly.

7326. Mr. *Green.*] Do you mean to state that if Garland authorized you to-morrow to sign another deed you would do it?—Certainly.

7327. Have you offered to pay for the shares?—No.

7328. Do you consider if you were called upon to pay that amount that Garland would pay it for you?—I have not a doubt he would, when he authorized me to sign.

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7329. How do you come to that conclusion; has he ever stated that?—No, he did not, but he has plenty to do it.

7330. Did Mr. Garland state there was any responsibility attached to it?—He did not say anything of the kind.

7331. Do you consider that Garland is responsible for this act?—Mr. Garland told me to go and sign, and that is what I have done, and I went according to my orders.

7332. Is the Committee to understand that in case you were called upon, not being capable to pay the money, that Garland will pay it for you?—I cannot say for that, I am sure.

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Mr. Broad - - - - - -	80
Mr. Prankard - - - - - -	30

It was admitted by Mr. Coppock that the foregoing persons, for the shares set opposite to their names, did attend, at the instance of Mr. Chamberlain or Mr. Jacobs, at No. 24, Bucklersbury, to sign the deed, and received 10*s.* a head, and that Mr. Payne witnessed their signatures to the deed.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. J. Forster.	Mr. Warburton.

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Mr. *Green* applied that the officers of the company should be called upon to produce the scrip-book, to show the number of shares allotted to Mr. Dorrington.

Mr. *Coppock* objected to the same being produced.

The Committee decided the same should be produced.

Upon the production of the scrip-book, it appeared that the scrip allotted to Mr. Dorrington was numbered from 5,384 to 5,433.

Mr. *Edward M'Keone,* called in; and Examined.

7333. *Chairman.*] TO what bankers are you clerk?—Messrs. Glyn & Company.

7334. State what was the amount of deposits paid into the bank of Messrs. Glyn on account of shares in the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—£.16,972.

7335. Up to what date is that?—I have not made a minute of the date; it is some time this year.

7336. You must get that information?—I was not aware these particulars were necessary; I merely brought the sums that had been received.

7337. Mr. *Thornely.*] Is that the whole sum received?—Yes.

7338. Mr. *Coppock.*] Is that up to the present day?—Yes.

7339. *Chairman.*] State on what day the first deposit was paid, and up to what day that sum of 16,972*l.* includes?—April 27th, 1836, till Saturday last.

7340. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did you, on the 27th and 28th April, attend at Mr. Hoppe's office to receive deposits?—I did.

7341. By whose directions did you so attend?—Messrs. Glyn & Co.

7342. For what purpose?—To receive deposits upon the intended railway.

7343. *Chairman.*] What was the amount you received?—The first day, 2,116*l.*; the second day, 6,156*l.*

7344. Mr. *Coppock.*] What did you do with the amount so received?—I paid it into the bank of Messrs. Glyn & Co.

7345. Did it pass direct from your hands into that bank?—Yes, entirely; or by me, and through the clerks.

7346. Did you see the deed; was there any deed written at Mr. Hoppe's house for signature?—Yes, there was.

7347. Did you see persons sign that deed?—Yes, I did.

7348. *Chairman.*]

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7348. *Chairman.*] Do you know the names of the directors of this company?—I know them when I see them; Mr. Rotch is one.

7349. In entering the deposits in your books, do you enter the names of the individual parties who pay in the money?—I do.

7350. So that you will be able to state from the books of the bank what amount of deposits the directors have severally paid?—Yes, what I received in person.

7351. But, on the books of your employers, is there entered the amount severally paid in by the subscribers to this railway company?—All that I received I know were so, and the rest I presume are the same.

7352. Do you apprehend, from the way in which the entries are made in the books of the bankers, you can furnish to this Committee a return stating what number of shares the directors have severally paid their deposits upon?—I think I can; not at present.

7353. You will be able to send to the clerk of this Committee a return stating those particulars?—Yes.

7354. Mr. *Lord.*] When persons come to pay their deposits upon the letters which are generally written to them, do they not produce, generally, those letters, to authorize you to take the money?—Yes, they do.

7355. You do not happen to know Mr. Spencer?—What is his Christian name?

7356. Richard Spencer?—I cannot say that I do.

7357. Were you in attendance, so as to know if he paid any money for shares in February last, at 24, Bucklersbury?—No.

7358. Has it been your practice to be present when any money was paid for shares, or any gentleman from your office?—Yes, it is, the last two days, for any call for a deposit.

7359. When persons generally come to the bank to pay for those shares they have a right to have in consequence of any letters they have received, they usually come and bring the letters, and you or some of your gentlemen are there to receive it?—Yes.

7360. That is the usual custom?—Yes.

7361. Do you recollect whether any of those gentlemen came to your house and paid in the month of February [*handing a list to the Witness*]?—I am not the regular cashier.

7362. You only attend on certain occasions?—Yes; on those particular occasions, the 27th and 28th of April 1836.

7363. How many more of the gentlemen connected with Messrs. Glyns' house did attend to receive the money?—Nobody but myself; the rest was received at the counter.

7364. Did you attend at Bucklersbury when these people who attended there paid their money?—No.

7365. Nor anybody from Messrs. Glyns'?—No.

7366. Is it not customary for bankers to send their clerks to take up deposits?—There are certain days appointed to pay the money; the bankers generally send a clerk to assist the clerk of the company to take them up.

7367. The practice is for gentlemen to go from the banking-house to the office of the company to receive the money?—It is not always the custom, but it has been done lately.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Green.*

7368. You are a clerk to Messrs. Glyn & Co.?—Yes.

7369. The house of Messrs. Glyn & Co. have been very extensively connected with railway companies?—There are several that keep their accounts with us.

7370. And the clerks in your house are particularly well acquainted with the mode of conducting public companies?—I cannot say that.

7371. Are not the clerks in the house of Messrs. Glyn & Co. generally shareholders to a large extent?—No.

7372. Have they not been so?—No.

7373. Are you a shareholder in this company?—No.

7374. Were you?—No.

7375. Were any shares allotted to you?—No.

7376. Did the directors, for the trouble you had in going to the office and receiving the money, give you any gratuity?—Nothing whatever.

7377. Do you expect any?—I do not.

7378. Can you state to the Committee any other company where you or any other

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other clerks of your banking-house went to the office of the company to receive the deposits?—I can.

7379. Will you state what?—The Rhymey Iron Company and the London and Birmingham Railway Company.

7380. Will you be kind enough to state to the Committee whether the mode in which you acted as to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway was the same as at the London and Birmingham Railway?—Precisely the same.

7381. You have stated, on the two days you attended, that 2,116*l.* was paid the first day; and on the second day, being the last day of receiving deposits, you received 6,156*l.*?—Yes, I did.

7382. Making a total of 8,272*l.*?—Yes, they do.

7383. Are you in a situation to state to the Committee the manner and mode in which the parties have paid the other sums of money making the 16,000*l.*?—No, I am not.

7384. Can you state from you own knowledge whether the directors have issued further letters, appropriating more shares to the parties?—No, I cannot.

7385. *Chairman.*] Are you in a situation to state to the Committee the sum of money paid upon shares in the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway on the 6th of February last?—No, I am not.

The Witness was directed to furnish such an account.

7386. Have you returned the letters of appropriation upon which the money has been paid to the office of the company?—I do not know, I am sure.

7387. Is it usual to keep those letters at the banking-house?—Yes.

The Witness was directed to state in the same note whether the letters of appropriation had been returned to the company.

7388. Are you in a situation to state to the Committee the sum of money received by the bankers since the 7th of March last?—No, I am not.

The Witness was directed to furnish the information now sought.

7389. Are you personally acquainted with any of the directors of the company?—I am not personally acquainted with many; I know Mr. Rotch for one, and I know Mr. Saunders.

7390. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Rotch or Mr. Saunders since the presentation of any petition to the House of Commons?—No, I have not.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *William Robinson Chamberlain*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *W. R. Chamberlain.*

7391. *Chairman.*] YOU live at 21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road?—Yes.

7392. You are a share-agent, I believe?—Yes, I am.

7393. Have you subscribed to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—Yes, I have.

The deed was produced by Mr. *Coppock.*

7394. Is this your name and handwriting (*showing the deed to the Witness*); read as much as is in your handwriting, and then read the remainder not in your handwriting?—"William Robinson Chamberlain, 21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road, gentleman; five shares, 250*l.*, and 10*l.* as deposits."

7395. Now read what is not in your handwriting?—"George F. Gritton."

7396. The attesting witness?—Yes.

7397. Go on?—That is all.

7398. Is the "250" and the "10" in your handwriting?—Yes, I consider it is.

7399. Did you pay a deposit upon these five shares at that time?—Yes, I did.

7400. At that time?—Yes.

7401. Mr. *Thornely.*] Where did you sign the deed?—At Mr. Hoppe's office.

7402. *Chairman.*] When?—I do not know the exact time; it is a long while ago.

7403. As near as you can recollect?—About 12 months ago.

7404. Is this your handwriting; read first as much as is in your handwriting?—"William Robinson Chamberlain, 21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road, gentleman, 50 shares."

7405. "F. H. Payne, 2,500*l.* subscription; 100*l.* the deposit;" that is not in your handwriting?—No, I do not think it is.

7406. Did you pay the 100*l.* deposit?—No.

7407. Did

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7407. Did you write 50 shares at that time yourself?—Yes.

7408. Where was it you signed this?—At Bucklersbury.

7409. On what day?—The beginning of February, about.

7410. Last February?—Yes.

7411. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Did Mr. Payne make his attestation in your presence?—Yes.

7412. *Chairman.*] You saw him do so?—Yes.

Examined by Mr. *Lord.*

7413. How many times have you signed this deed of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—Twice.

7414. The first time you signed it did you apply for any shares?—Yes.

7415. Did you apply by letter?—Yes.

7416. How many shares did you apply for the first time?—I think 10.

7417. How many of those were allotted to you?—Five.

7418. Do you happen to recollect the name of the gentleman signing the letter telling you you were to have those five shares?—I do not recollect; I dare say it is the secretary of the company.

7419. Who is he?—Mr. Powell.

7420. You know that of your own knowledge?—I understand so.

7421. Have you ever seen a letter signed by him with the word secretary under it?

Mr. *Coppock* admitted that Mr. Powell was the secretary of the company.

7422. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you write any letter applying for a second 50 shares?—No.

7423. Were you applied to by anybody to take them?—I was applied to by Mr. Jacobs, who introduced me to Mr. Gibbs.

7424. Is Mr. Gibbs the agent to this company?—I believe not.

7425. You do not know that he is not?—I believe not.

7426. *Chairman.*] Who is Mr. Gibbs?—I believe he is a gentleman; the brother of Mr. Gibbs the engineer.

7427. Living where?—I do not know his residence.

7428. Mr. *Lord.*] What is the Christian name of Mr. Gibbs?—I am not aware.

7429. Could this gentleman who applied to you to take these shares have been employed privately by the company without your knowledge?—That is a question I cannot answer.

7430. Cannot you say whether he might have been employed without your knowing it?—Yes, of course; he might have been employed, certainly.

7431. Do you ever happen to pay any money for the last 50 shares?—No.

7432. Are the shares at a premium or at a discount now?—I am not aware of the price of them.

7433. When you took the 50 shares, do you know the price they were at on the day you signed the deed?—I should think at a premium; at a quarter premium.

7434. Will you take upon yourself to state to the Committee they were not at a discount, or at par?—No, I will not.

7435. You will not say they were at a discount?—I believe at par, or a quarter premium.

7436. Do you not know that they were at par that day?—I admit they were at par, or at a quarter premium.

7437. Then, perhaps, you will state to the Committee how you happen to have bought these shares, and thus involving your family by buying them at this price, when you could have gone to the market and bought them at a discount?—I was acting as agent for Mr. Gibbs's friend.

7438. *Chairman.*] What friend?—A friend of his; I am not acquainted with him.

7439. Mr. *Lord.*] If parties come to you and ask you to sign deeds binding yourself for so large an amount as you have done in signing this deed, do you generally do that without knowing for whom you sign?—Of course I know who I sign for.

7440. Perhaps you will disclose to the Committee who Mr. Gibbs's friends were?—I acted as agent for Mr. Gibbs.

7441. *Chairman.*] Are you acquainted with the name of this friend of Mr. Gibbs?—No, I am not.

7442. Mr. *Lord.*] He never disclosed to you who he was?—No.

7443. You cannot tell whether he is a person connected with the company or not?—It is impossible I can tell.

7444. Were you ever employed by any company to procure persons to sign a subscription deed at any time?—I was asked to get signatures to this one by Mr. Gibbs.

7445. You admit you did ask people to sign the subscription deed of this company at 10*s.* a piece; will you go so far as that?—Yes.

7446. At the office at Bucklersbury?—Yes.

7447. And did you accompany some of those persons to the office?—I accompanied one.

7448. The subscription deed of the company was there?—Yes.

7449. And the attesting witness, Mr. Payne, was there?—Yes.

7450. Were you paid by your friend, Mr. Gibbs, any sum of money for signing the deed?—Ten shillings.

7451. If the shares continue to remain at a discount, do you ever mean to pay for them?—When I am called upon to pay for them, I shall go to Mr. Gibbs and he will find me the money.

7452. Are you in a situation to pay the money when called upon?—When I am called upon for the money I shall pay it.

7453. Do you think there is much probability of your ever being called upon?—I expect to be called upon till I transfer these shares out of my name.

Mr. *Green* claimed to examine the Witness.

Mr. *Coppock* objected to Mr. Green examining the Witness.

The Committee decided that Mr. Green could not examine the Witness, but that he might suggest any questions he had to ask to Mr. Lord.

7454. Mr. *Lord.*] I think I understood you to say you would be in a situation to pay these shares when called upon?—Yes.

7455. Will you have the kindness to inform the Committee whether you have signed any cognovits lately; in the last 12 months?—I will answer any question relating to this company; but I appeal to the Committee whether I should answer this question.

7456. *Chairman.*] Are you able to pay out of your own property the instalments for the shares for which you have subscribed?—Not out of my own property; but I acted as agent for other parties, and they will find the money.

7457. Mr. *Lord.*] How many cognovits have you signed in the last two months?—I appeal to the Chairman whether I am compelled to answer this question.

7458. Have you signed many subscription deeds for other companies since last June?—I have signed others.

7459. In the companies for which you have signed, have you been paid by those companies?—Not one halfpenny.

7460. For all the shares you have taken in these respective companies, have you paid upon them?—Yes, except one company.

7461. What is that?—The Kent.

7462. Are those at a premium or discount?—I do not know.

7463. If they continue at a discount, shall you pay up upon your shares?—When I am called upon, my principals will find the money.

7464. You did not sign them for yourself?—No.

7465. Is it not the general practice for persons who are respectable persons to hire other persons, not respectable, to sign deeds for them?—I cannot answer for anybody but myself.

7466. *Chairman.*] What is your own knowledge and experience upon the subject?—Parties have got others to sign deeds; that has been the rule among railways.

7467. Why do you apprehend they get others to sign for them?—They do not wish to sign for the whole amount themselves.

7468. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you know Mr. Allen, one of the directors of this company?—No, I do not.

7469. What have been your transactions in relation to this company?—I never had but one or two transactions with the company.

7470. Have you had any more?—They are the first five shares I signed for.

7471. What was the transaction?—I sold my shares after I signed the deed.

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7472. To Mr. Allen?—No.

7473. Do you know him?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

7474. Do you know Mr. Benjamin Wheeler Poulton?—Yes.

7475. How long have you known him?—Two or three years.

7476. Tell us all you know of him, beginning from the first of your acquaintance?—I have known him as a dealer in shares and letters for shares.

7477. What do you mean by letters for shares?—Letters before the payments are made.

7478. Persons, when a company is brought out, apply for shares?—Yes.

7479. Upon those applications letters are given?—Yes.

7480. What has been the practice for persons to do with those letters?—It has been the practice for them to sell the letters for what premium they will fetch.

7481. Is it generally the case that companies which appear likely to pay, receive more letters than those not likely to pay?—I should think so.

7482. Then the companies that offered a good prospect, would receive a great many letters?—Yes.

7483. Have the directors or parties connected with the companies any opportunity of knowing the parties who write to them, except by the statements contained in those letters?—I should think not.

7484. If a person writes for shares, and in the letter states he is able to pay for them, the directors have no means of knowing the contrary from his letter?—No.

7485. These letters are brought upon 'Change?—Yes.

7486. How are they transferred?—The letters are sold, and the money paid upon them to the bankers.

7487. When a company does issue shares, the party presenting the letter and paying the deposit, would be allowed to become a shareholder and sign the deed?—Yes.

7488. Was that the case with the first shares you obtained?—They were my own shares.

7489. You obtained them, and went to pay the deposit?—Yes, at Mr. Hoppé's office.

7490. Just describe the course in which it was managed; did you present your letter of appropriation?—Yes.

7491. What were you asked to do then?—To pay the money to Mr. Young, who was clerk to the bankers.

7492. What passed then?—I believe I then received a paper, and took the letter to one of the clerks.

7493. He marked it as having paid the deposit?—Yes.

7494. You then went and signed the deed?—Yes.

7495. And you then passed on, and received your scrip?—Yes.

7496. The order was this: you went to the office of the company and paid the money to the banker's clerk; he marked that you had paid; you then signed the deed; and having signed it, you took a slip of paper given you, and you then went and got the scrip?—Yes.

7497. Had you any banker's receipt further than you have described?—No; that was all I recollect to have occurred.

7498. *Chairman.*] Did you receive the scrip at the banker's?—No; in the same room.

7499. Mr. *Coppock.*] He made some mark on the letter of appropriation, and you then signed the deed?—Yes.

7500. *Chairman.*] Did you, or the person to whom you transferred the letter, sign for the five shares?—I signed for the five shares.

7501. Would the person to whom you transferred the letters of these first five shares, if he had paid the sum to the bankers, have been allowed to sign the deed?—Yes.

7502. Mr. *Coppock.*] Were there many other persons signing at this time?—Yes.

7503. Did you happen to see any refuse to sign the deed?—No.

7504. Mr. Poulton is one of those gentlemen who write for these letters?—Yes.

7505. And was in the habit of writing for them?—Yes.

7506. If

7506. If he had written for a letter, and had got one, he would have been allowed to sign?—Yes.

7507. Are there many of those sharehunters on 'Change?—I do not know particularly; there are a great many of us have written for shares.

7508. Has that been considered a reputable practice, or disreputable?—Not at all disreputable.

7509. You knew Mr. Poulton three years ago as a letter-writer?—Yes.

7510. When did you next know him; has he ever been absent from 'Change?—Yes.

7511. Under what circumstances?—He was in the Marshalsea.

7512. When was that?—About two years ago; less than that.

7513. Was he long in prison?—He went through the Insolvent Court.

7514. Having gone through the Insolvent Court, did he come again upon 'Change?—Yes.

7515. What trade did he follow then?—He brought out companies.

7516. What companies?—The New South Cotton Company.

7517. What was the character of this cotton company?—It was representing so much money paid upon it.

7518. Can you tell the Committee the parties concerned in it with Mr. Poulton?—Mr. Stephens and Mr. Green.

7519. Is that the Mr. Green the petitioner here?—Yes; George Jones and Mr. Stokes.

7520. And Mr. Spencer?—Yes; Mr. Spencer was the secretary.

7521. From what you have known, and what you have seen, what is the character of that company?—It was brought out as a bubble.

7522. What has it been brought out for?—To get money upon the scrip.

7523. Has any meeting of that company taken place, since the money was paid upon the scrip?—I do not know that the money has been expended.

7524. It was a deceptive company?—Yes.

7525. Got up for the purpose of robbery?—It was.

7526. What other company was Mr. Poulton concerned in, to your knowledge?—I cannot mention the company; I know there was another.

7527. Were there several others?—Yes, I believe several.

7528. Were they all equally respectable with this company?—Yes.

7529. And the prospects to the public about as beneficial?—Yes.

7530. What has Mr. Poulton been doing of late?—He has been getting up petitions to Parliament, to be heard against different companies.

7531. Is that as lucrative a trade as the Joint Stock Cotton Company?—They have said they are making a good thing of it.

7532. Messrs. Poulton and Green?—Yes.

7533. They have both told you so?—Not told me, but it has been said on 'Change.

7534. Do you know anything about a cheque for 5*l.*, given to the turnkey of any prison?—I have heard.

7535. Have you seen the cheque?—I have not.

7536. Has Mr. Poulton ever told you anything about it?—No.

7537. Has the person holding the check told you anything about it?—Yes.

7538. Have they told you that it would be a profitable trade coming before committees?—They said so on 'Change.

7539. It has been a common topic of conversation on 'Change?—Yes.

7540. Is there any company formed for this purpose?—There is a club; I consider it so.

7541. Who are the members of it?—Green, Poulton and Stephens.

7542. Who else?—Mr. Spencer and several others.

7543. *Chairman.*] Upon what knowledge is it you state the existence of this club?—It is a club formed together.

7544. Upon what knowledge is it or information that you state the existence of such a club?—They have stated it themselves on the Royal Exchange.

7545. To whom?—Publicly.

7546. To whom?—Several of the jobbers.

7547. To whom?—I have heard it myself.

7548. From whom?—Mr. Poulton.

7549. Mr. *Coppock.*] Mr. Poulton told you it was a very profitable business they were pursuing?—Yes.

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7550. They are in the habit of meeting together upon this subject?—They meet together.

7551. From what source is the profit to this club to be paid, do you know?—No.

7552. Have you any doubt upon the subject?—It is the expenses they get in attending upon the Committee.

7553. The longer they continue, and the more there are of them, the more they will get?—Yes.

7554. How long have you known Mr. Green?—For two or three years.

7555. What was he when you first knew him?—A jobber.

7556. Has he been a jobber ever since?—Yes, off and on.

7557. Do you know of any circumstance that ever took him off?—I do not know.

7558. Was he absent for any considerable time?—He was absent at one time.

7559. When was he absent in that way?—About 15 months.

7560. Was the share-market depressed then?—There was nothing doing.

7561. It was a very prudent thing for him to be off?—I do not know the reason of it.

7562. How long is it since he returned?—About 15 months ago, or 12 months.

7563. Since then, he has been constantly on 'Change?—Yes.

7564. Until this petitioning mania arose?—Yes.

7565. Have any of those individuals mentioned to you any petition against this company, Poulton or Green?—Both of them said to me on 'Change, "We will have you up, and punish you for it."

7566. The general characters of Messrs. Green and Poulton, is not that of persons who ought to charge you as being a pauper, or a person in a very distressed state?—Not at all.

7567. Are you aware they have charged you so?—Yes.

7568. And yet at this time you know one of them was just out of prison, and that they were both dealers in share-letters on 'Change?—Yes.

7569. When you signed the deed for the first five shares, this petition states you signed the deed for 10 shares, at 24, Bucklersbury?—The first were five shares.

7570. This petition states you signed it for 10 shares and 15 shares, at 24, Bucklersbury; did you sign for the first 10 shares there?—No, at the office of the company.

7571. And it was for five?—Yes.

7572. The first allegation is false?—Yes, it is.

7573. You knew of course the value of these shares, from having paid the deposit?—Yes.

7574. And, therefore, though the value of these shares is not opposite to your name, you were not ignorant of the value?—Not at all.

7575. On the day you so signed for them, they were at a half to a quarter premium?—From par to a quarter premium.

7576. Any person who could sell the shares that day, and deliver them, it would be his interest to get shares, as he would make a profit thereby?—Certainly.

7577. Are not many persons in trade, since the investigation of these things before the Committee, very much afraid of having their names handed about on share-lists?—Yes.

7578. Have they not, rather than be injured in their commercial pursuits, got other persons to sign them for them?—Yes, they have.

7579. Is not that generally the case?—Yes, it is.

7580. Are you aware that the names of persons who have subscribed lists, are always published?—Yes.

7581. And they may be bought at any publisher's?—Yes.

7582. May it not materially injure any person, largely concerned in trade, to see his name on any company's list?—Yes.

7583. However rich and solvent he may be?—Yes.

7584. Had you ever had any connexion with the directors of this company, or any officers, before you signed the deed at 24, Bucklersbury, with the single exception of signing for the five shares?—No.

7585. Do

7585. Do you know the directors?—No.

7586. Have you ever received anything from the directors of the company or their officers to sign the deed?—No, nothing.

7587. *Chairman.*] Did you induce or pursuade any of the persons I will read to you to go to Bucklersbury to sign their names: Charles Fraser?—Yes.

7588. What did you say to him?—I asked him if he had any objection to sign the deed, and he should have 10*s.* for his trouble.

7589. What was it induced you to say that to him?—It was Mr. Gibbs, who promised to pay it.

7590. Did you send William Algernon Piercy to sign it?—Yes.

7591. You made the same promise to him?—Yes.

7592. John Crosbie Henderson?—Yes.

7593. Richard Spencer?—Yes.

7594. Benjamin Day?—Yes

7595. John Henry Morgan?—Yes.

7596. George Broad?—Yes.

7597. Francis Newcombe?—Yes.

7598. John Haley?—Yes.

7599. William Dorrington?—No.

7600. R. Rickards?—No.

7601. John Jackson?—Yes.

7602. Vernon Prankard?—Yes.

7603. A. H. Salom?—Yes.

7604. Richard Lee?—Yes.

7605. You told all of them, if they would go and sign the deed, they should have 10*s.* apiece?—Yes.

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7606. You say you know Mr. Poulton?—Yes.

7607. How long have you known him?—About three years.

7608. Have you known him as an intimate acquaintance for three years?—I have known him as a jobber.

7609. Have you dined with him?—Yes, I have.

7610. At whose expense did you dine?—My own.

7611. Did you pay for Poulton?—I do not recollect ever paying for him.

7612. Did he ever pay for your dinner in the last three years?—No.

7613. How lately have you dined with Poulton?—I cannot tell; a long while ago.

7614. Have you dined with him, since he came out of the Marshalsea?—I have sat down with him in a public dining-room.

7615. Have you been on friendly terms with him, since he came out of the Marshalsea?—Yes.

7616-17. Did you ever write for any shares in any company?—Yes, I did.

7618. Is that disreputable?—No.

7619. Are share-hunters disreputable persons?—No.

7620. I understood you just now to say, that you knew Poulton was in the Marshalsea gaol; how did you happen to know of it?—He sent to me.

7621. And you went to him?—Yes.

7622. Was he discharged under the Insolvent Act?—Yes.

7623. Was he opposed?—I do not know.

7624. Was he sent back for fraud?—I do not know; when he sent to me, I was to raise a subscription for him.

7625. You thought he was a man deserving a subscription, then?—I should have gone on with it; but I would not go on with it, in consequence of the expense he was living at.

7626. Not on account of his dishonest character?—No.

7627. Do you know whether he was remanded?—I am not aware of it.

7628. Was there any charge of fraud made against him by any of his creditors, to your knowledge?—Not that I know of.

7629. Do you think that the cotton company was worse than many of the railway companies?—There is one railway much about the same.

7630. Mention the railway company you think equal to the cotton company?—The Stroud and Rochester.

7631. Is that at a premium?—The money is not paid.

7632. Did

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7632. Did you ever lose anything by the cotton company?—I never had a transaction in it.

7633. Would you have had any shares, if you could have got them?—No.

7634. You said it was got up for the purpose of robbery; will you inform the Committee your means of information upon that subject?—It was my opinion; it was got up to sell the shares in the market.

7635. You have no ground for it?—They borrowed money upon the shares.

7636. Who do you mean?—Mr. Poulton.

7637. Did he borrow any of you?—No.

7638. How do you know?—I have heard so.

7639. Have you any means of knowing that it was got up for robbery, by any direct communication with Mr. Poulton?—No.

7640. Then what you have stated is a falsehood?—I have stated my opinion; it was got up to sell for what it would fetch.

7641. You say you have heard that petitions had been got up by Mr. Poulton against various companies, to be presented to the House of Commons?—Several petitions were got up.

7642. Do you know of any other petition before the House of Commons but this one now before the Committee?—The City Railway.

7643. Do you know of your own knowledge that another petition has been presented by Mr. Poulton against the City Railway Company?—Certain allegations are made in it.

7644. You say that Mr. Poulton has presented a petition against the City Railway?—No, I spoke of Mr. Lill.

7645. Do you know that Mr. Poulton has presented any petition but this one?—I believe he has presented one to be heard on the City Railway; I am not sure.

7646. How do you know that Mr. Poulton has stated he was getting up various petitions against various companies?—He told me he should bring a petition against me in the Westminster and Deptford, for getting signatures.

7647. Has he done it; has he prosecuted it?—The petition is before you now; the Westminster and Deptford.

7648. Is there any other petition besides this that you know of?—I do not know.

7649. You said he was going to get money by it?—There are so many.

7650. Did he ever tell you he was going to make money by it?—I heard him say he should make plenty of money by these petitions.

7651. When did you hear him say so?—Two months ago.

7652. Did you ever hear him say so, since he presented it?—I have heard him say, on 'Change, he should make money by it.

7653. How many times?—Three or four times.

7654. Do you think it a fraudulent thing to make money this way?—I should think it a very dishonest way.

7655. Were many persons about at the time?—Most of the jobbers were present at the time.

7656. Do you happen to know the directors of this railway company?—If you will show me the names, I will tell you.

7657. Do you know the names of any of the directors?—Only by name.

7658. You do not know them to speak to them?—I only know them by name.

7659. Have you ever spoken to any of them?—No.

7660. Do you know the solicitor to the company, Mr. Hoppe?—Yes.

7661. Do you happen to know Mr. Powell, the agent of the company?—Only as secretary.

7662. Do you happen to know Mr. Payne, one of the attesting witnesses?—Yes, as belonging to the company.

7663. Did you know the learned agent on the other side, Mr. Coppock?—Since I have been here.

7664. Have the goodness to disclose to the Committee, whether you have had an interview with him in the last two or three days?—No.

7665. Nor any one?—No.

7666. Nor spoken to any one of them upon the nature of the examination you should go through?—No.

7667. Nor any one else?—No.

7668. You

7668. You have not stated to any one the nature of your evidence?—No.

7669. Mr. *Coppock.*] You stated there was one railway, the Stroud and Rochester; who were the directors of that?—Mr. Green was secretary.

7670. Who were the directors of it?—I forget the directors; there was Mr. Stephens, one of the secretaries.

7671. Joint secretaries?—Yes.

7672. Will you favour us with the names of the directors; was Mr. Poulton upon it?—No, I think not.

7673. But Mr. Green was?—Yes.

7674. Was Mr. Poulton a director?—I think not.

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7675. Do you consider the office of secretary a respectable office?—I do.

7676. Did you hear of my conduct, on the Royal Exchange, as being anything else but respectable, in the character of secretary to that company?—I heard nothing about the company, not as secretary; I said the money had been all expended.

7677. I am not asking you about the money expended, but about the character of myself; did you hear anything as attached to my character that was anything but honourable, as secretary to that company?—I had no conversation upon the subject.

7678. You have stated that a club is got up for the purpose of presenting petitions to this House?—I consider it a club.

7679. By whom have you heard that the club has been got up?—I have heard both you and Mr. Poulton say, that you should petition against all companies, to try to upset their line.

7680. Will you be kind enough to state whether that was in the last 12 months?—In the last two months or three months.

7681. Will you state, that either by word or deed, I have had any business or conversation with you in the last three months?—The last time was on 'Change.

7682. How long ago?—At the time that the Kent business was going on.

7683. Can you state how along ago that was brought forward?—About a month or six weeks ago.

7684. Will you take upon yourself to say it is not 10 weeks ago?—No.

7685. Was it 10 weeks ago?—I do not know the time; it might have been 10 weeks ago.

7686. At the time of the Kent business, did you then hear from me that I intended to petition the House of Commons regarding the Westminster and Deptford Railway?—Yes, you told me that on 'Change yourself.

7687. Will you take upon yourself to say that the circumstances were known to me, or anybody else but the parties who had signed the deed, at the time the Kent deed was brought before the Committee?—You threatened me.

7688. Will you take upon yourself to state, that at the time the Kent inquiry was about to be brought forward, that the circumstances about which the petition was to be presented to the House, about the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway, were known to me?—Yes, I believe they were.

7689. Will you undertake to state that they were?—No.

7690. You say Green, Poulton and Stephens belonged to the cotton company, a company founded upon fraud; state to the Committee, so far as I am personally concerned, any act by which you can justify the observation you have made, that that company was got up for the purpose of robbery?—It was got up to sell for whatever they would fetch, and that I consider a robbery.

7691. How do you derive the information that it was got up for that purpose?—By the conduct of the parties concerned.

7692. What parties?—The directors.

7693. Do you mean any particular director or directors, and if so, state them by name?—There is one gentleman that I very much respect.

7694. You state that I am a share-writer; will you be kind enough to give me the definition of share-writer?—A person that writes for shares.

7695. Do you ever recollect a company called Chamberlain's Gas Company?—Yes.

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7696. What were the merits of that company?—It was brought out to form a gas company.

7697. What were the deposits paid upon it?—Not one halfpenny.

7698. What did you sell the shares at, such as they were?—I bought some myself.

7699. At what?—As high as 8 *s.* or 9 *s.*

7700. What did you sell them at?—Four shillings.

7701. Will you state how they came to christen it, the Chamberlain Gas Company?—Because my name was Chamberlain.

7702. Will you take upon yourself to state that that company was not brought out by you, for the sole and only purpose of robbing the public?—No, it was not.

7703. Will you state to the Committee the difference between Chamberlain's Gas Company and the South Cotton Company?—I decline answering the question.

7704. Have you in any part of your life lent yourself to a person, for the purpose of receiving a sum of money to insure parties, at a place called the Lloyd's Insurance Company?—I never did.

7705. Was you ever subpœnaed to go before the Lord Mayor upon a subject of that description?—No.

7706. Were you ever summoned to go before the Lord Mayor?—I never was in my life.

7707. Did you ever run away, to prevent the officers of justice taking you before the Lord Mayor?—Why should I run away?

7708. Answer the question?—I never did.

7709. You state yourself to be a jobber?—An agent.

7710. Are you in the habit of going into the city of London, at nine in the morning, and calling upon highly respectable houses, bankers and merchants, and getting their clerks, previous to the principals coming, to job in the funds?—I decline to answer any such questions.

7711. Do you know a person of the name of Fladgelly?—Yes, I do.

7712. What was he?—A banker's clerk.

7713. At what banking-house?—Messrs. Currie's.

7714. Will you state to the Committee what has become of him?—I decline to answer any question about him.

7715. Will you state that he was not compelled to leave the country, in consequence of any transactions he had with you?—I will swear to it.

7716. Was not he compelled to fly the country, in consequence of transactions he had with you?—No.

7717. Do you know a person of the name of Lakeman?—I appeal to the Chairman whether I am to answer that.

7718. *Chairman.*] Give an answer?—I know him.

7719. Mr. *Green.*] Will you be kind enough to state the transactions you had with him?—I never had one.

7720. *Chairman.*] What did you know of the office in Bucklersbury, to which you desired people to go?—I know nothing of the office; I was introduced to Mr. Gibbs by Mr. Jacobs; I only knew Mr. Gibbs there.

7721. Did you consider it an office for the transaction of business relating to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I did not think about it at all.

7722. You saw Mr. Pain there?—Yes.

7723. And you saw the deed there?—Yes, and signed it.

7724. Did you receive any money from Mr. Gibbs, besides the 10*s.* on account of your own signature?—Not one halfpenny.

7725. Did you receive any money to give to other parties for their signing?—No.

[The Witness withdrew.

Captain *William Newbank*, called in; and Examined.

Captain *William Newbank.*

7726. *Chairman.*] ARE you one of the directors of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—Yes, I am.

7727. Are you a holder of any shares in that company?—Yes.

7728. How many; 200?—Yes.

7729. Have you paid any deposit upon them?—Yes.

7730. How

7730. How much?—£. 400.

7731. On what dates did you pay that amount of deposit?—I really cannot remember at this moment; I think in April last year.

7732. Was it 200 *l.* the 3d January 1837, and 200 *l.* the 27th and 28th April 1836?—It must be close upon those dates, if not the very dates.

Examined by Mr. *Green.*

7733. Did you make application by writing for the first hundred shares?—Yes, I did. I was not an original director; I joined the company about six weeks after its formation. I had 100 shares I applied for originally, and I joined the company six weeks afterwards.

7734. Did you apply by letter for 100 shares?—Yes, I did.

7735. Did you pay a deposit upon them?—Yes.

7736. Can you state the time you paid it?—I think it was in April.

7737. Did you pay it into the hands of the clerk at the office of the company?—I really cannot state; I think I could produce the cheque by which I paid it through the bankers; I think so; I am not certain.

7738. Is the Committee to understand you paid the first 200 *l.* at the office of the company or at the banking-house of the company?—It was at the solicitor's office.

7739. And not at the office of the company?—I think not.

7740. After you had paid upon the 100 shares, you appear by the prospectus to have become a director?—I did.

7741. Be kind enough to state to the Committee who applied to you to become a director?—I rather think I had a friend on the direction of the company, and I wished to join the company partly for his sake.

7742. Was it from any conversation you had with your friend relative to the advantages to be derived by joining the company that you consented to become a director?—No doubt it was from the advantages I expected to derive from the opinion I had of the company.

7743. Will you be kind enough to state to the Committee the name of your friend?—Mr. Ayre; he is not on the direction at present.

7744. How long had the company been out when you paid the 200 *l.*, being the deposit on 100 shares?—I should think only 10 days or a fortnight; it was on its original formation; I cannot recollect.

7745. You afterwards became a director?—Yes, about a month afterwards.

7746. Will you state to the Committee the length of time that occurred between the payment upon the first 100 shares and the last instalment upon 100 shares?—About nine months.

7747. *Chairman.*] Had you applied for the second 100 shares long before you paid the deposit?—No; being a director of the company I considered in the office I could obtain the shares without any formal application.

7748. You did not apply formally for the second 100 shares?—No; I considered I could obtain the shares, being a director.

7749. Have you paid your deposit upon the second 100 shares?—I have.

7750. Did you pay that sum in the month of January last?—On one of the two of the last days of January.

7751. Mr. *Green.*] Had you sold any of the first 100 shares before you took the second?—I have not sold a single share.

7752. What was the price of the shares in January?—From 5 *s.* discount to a quarter premium.

7753. You name a very wide price?—I do not understand your question; they were about par or 5 *s.* discount.

7754. To whom did you pay the second 100 *l.*?—It was in the office of the company.

7755. Was Mr. Ayre ever a director of the company?—Yes.

7756. Are you still a director of the company?—I am.

7757. Will you be kind enough to state to the Committee the amount that the different directors have received for their attendances?—I can state positively not one farthing.

7758. Do you expect to receive anything?—I presume, if the concern goes on, they will be paid on account of their attendance.

7759. Have you read the petition of the directors of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I have.

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7760. Was that petition read over to you before you signed it?—I saw it the same evening, in the lobby of the House of Commons, before it was presented; I admit the whole of the allegations of the petition to be true.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Coppock* delivered in the first application of Captain Newbank for the 100 shares, dated 18th April 1836.

Mr. *John Lee Jacob*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *John Lee Jacob.*

7761. *Chairman.*] WHERE do you live?—6, Crown-street, Finsbury-square.

7762. What is your calling?—Dealer in the funds and shares.

7763. Are you a subscriber to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—No, I am not.

Examined by Mr. *Lord.*

7764. Are you an acknowledged agent of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I am not an agent at all.

7765. Were you ever their agent?—No.

7766. Do you know the office at No. 24, Bucklersbury?—No, I do not.

7767. You were never there?—No.

7768. Were you ever employed by any company to hire persons to sign subscription deeds?—Never.

7769. Did you ever know of any persons being employed to do so, when the subscription deed was short of the amount, to comply with the Standing Orders?—No, never.

7770. I do not speak of this company; did you ever hear of any person being so employed for other companies?—I never employed any one.

7771. Did you ever hear of any one being so employed when the deed was short of the amount?—I never did.

7772. Did you ever know of any persons who had signed a subscription deed for these companies, receiving money for signing it?—No, not of my own knowledge; I never saw them receive any, nor gave them any.

7773. You never saw any of these parties sign this deed in Bucklersbury?—No.

7774. *Chairman.*] Did you request any persons to attend at Bucklersbury for the purpose of signing the deed?—Yes, I did.

7775. Whom did you request?—I requested Mr. Chamberlain to do so; I asked him if he could do it.

7776. Do what?—To sign the deed; I believe it was the Westminster Bridge and Deptford, but I cannot say that it was so.

7777. You requested him to sign the deed?—Yes.

7778. Who did you make that request for?—A friend of mine.

7779. What friend?—Mr. Gibbs. He told me he held a large quantity of shares, and did not wish to sign the deed; and he wished to know if I could introduce him to a person to sign the deed; he was very nervous about it.

7780. Mr. *Lord.*] Did Mr. Gibbs tell you he held any shares in this company?—Yes.

7781. Did he employ you to hire persons to sign it?—No he did not.

7782. How came you to say you did not know it was this company?—I did not know it; I learnt it afterwards.

7783. *Chairman.*] From whom did you learn it?—From what took place in the House; from the newspapers.

7784. Mr. *Lord.*] Mr. Gibbs never told you he had any shares in this company?—He told me he had some shares in the company, but I do not recollect the name; he might have said the Westminster, but I cannot recollect that it was.

7785. *Chairman.*] Was there anybody but Mr. Chamberlain you saw upon the subject of signing this deed?—I asked Mr. Chamberlain to speak to the jobbers, to get it done.

7786. Did you see anybody besides Mr. Chamberlain?—I might have spoken to one or two others, for what I know.

7787. Who were they?—Mr. Prankard, I think, was one; and I think I spoke to Mr. Salom.

7788. I will

7788. I will read over the names: Charles Fraser?—I think I spoke to him; I introduced him to Mr. Gibbs.

7789. William Algernon Piercy?—No, I do not think I spoke to him.

7790. Francis Read?—I do not know him.

7791. John Crosbie Henderson?—I did not speak to him.

7792. Richard Spencer?—I do not know him.

7793. Benjamin Day?—I did not speak to him.

7794. John Henry Morgan?—I did not speak to him.

7795. George Broad?—I do not know the name.

7796. Francis Newcomb?—I do not think I spoke to him.

7797. John Haley?—I think I spoke to him; I am not positive.

7798. R. Rickards?—Rickards; I do not recollect the name; I did not speak to him; I am certain I do not know a person of that name.

7799. William Dorrington?—I do not remember I spoke to him.

7800. John Jackson?—I might speak to him.

7801. Vernon Prankard?—I think I spoke to him.

7802. A. H. Salom?—I think I spoke to him.

7803. Richard Lee?—No.

7804. What did you say to Mr. Prankard or Mr. Salom?—I asked them if they would sign a deed for a railway company; and they said, yes.

7805. Did you hold out any inducement to them?—I told them they should be remunerated for their trouble, and that they should have the shares, whenever they called for them.

7806. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Who was to remunerate them?—Mr. Gibbs; not myself.

7807. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did you give those persons any cards?—Yes; and Mr. Gibbs gave me the cards to give to them.

7808. What was on it?—The number of the house.

7809. What street was it?—I think Bucklersbury, near the Mansion-house.

7810. Did the card contain the number of shares they were to sign for?—No; I gave them to Mr. Chamberlain, and he distributed them; they met together that day, some of them; it was all done one afternoon. I spoke to Mr. Haley in the morning.

7811. *Chairman.*] What do you know of the circumstances of John Haley?—I do not know anything of his circumstances.

7811*. Do you know anything of the circumstances of Mr. Prankard?—I know he has been a very respectable man; I have known him many years on 'Change.

7812. Is he able to pay 1,500 *l.*?—I do not know.

7813. Do you know anything of the circumstances of Salom?—He is a respectable man on 'Change, and deals in shares.

7814. Mr. *Lord.*] Was it written upon the ticket you gave to those persons, the place they were to go to?—The number of the house was written upon the card.

7815. That was the means of telling them where to go?—Yes.

7816. How did you happen to know that was on it, if you did not look at it?—I did not say I did not look at it.

7817. How came you to say you did not know it?—I did not know the office; you told me the number of the office, that it was 24.

7818. Do you mean to say you did not know the railway these people were to sign for, though you hired them?—I did not.

7819. Mr. Gibbs did not mention the railway?—No, he did not.

7820. How did you know the deed they were to sign?—I did not know; Mr. Gibbs is a respectable man.

7821. *Chairman.*] What is Mr. Gibbs?—Brother to the engineer.

7822. What is he besides?—I do not know.

7823. Where is his address?—I do not know; I suppose he is to be found in his brother's office.

7824. What is his business?—In his brother's office.

7825. Where is it?—In Bucklersbury.

7826. Was that the house at which this signing took place?—I do not know; I was never there.

7827. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you know where the office of the company is?—No.

 7828. Did

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7828. Did you ever see the prospectus?—I might last year, when it came out.

7829. You did not see the office printed upon it?—No.

7830. When Mr. Gibbs employed you to hire these persons, but did not tell you what it was, did you tell them where to go?—I gave them a card.

7831. Do you mean to tell the Committee that you did not know, when you gave him the card, that this was the office of the company?—I mean to say I did not know it was the office of the company.

7832. How happened you to accompany them?—I did not.

7833. Did you go part of the way with them?—No.

7834. Did you go with any of them?—No, I gave them a card, and told them to go.

7835. Was there an address on it?—Yes, there was some address; I gave them a card, and told them to go there.

7836. You did not know that the office of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company was there?—I did not see it there; I was never there.

7837. You did not know it was there?—I suppose it was there, as they signed it there.

7838. Had you not sufficient information, from some person or other, to tell you whether it was there?—They were to go according to the card; I did not go with them.

7839. Did you tell them they were to receive any money?—I told them they would be remunerated.

7840. Did you see them receive any money?—No.

7841. Who was the person that gave them the money?—I do not know.

7842. Did Mr. Gibbs state to you who would pay it?—No.

7843. Can you tell any reason why Mr. Gibbs did not sign this railway company's deed?—He told me he objected to sign deeds.

7844. Have you any shares yourself in this company?—I have dealt in them; I have no shares.

7845. Did you sign the deed?—No, I did not; I have not signed the deed.

7846. Why do you not like to sign deeds?—I had no occasion.

7847. When you selected these gentlemen?—I did not select them.

7848. When you asked them to sign this deed, did you select the richest people on the Royal Exchange, or the poorest?—I made no selection: they were share-jobbers there.

7849. Do you think they could pay the money?—I do not know how poor or rich they are.

7850. For aught you know, they might be the poorest people in the world?—I have dealt with them, as I have with Mr. Chamberlain, and to a very considerable extent.

7851. Do you believe that generally those persons you employed to sign that deed were rich or poor persons?—I do not know anything of them; they are not as rich as Rothschild, but they are persons, some of them, I would trust; I do deal with them, and have had some large transactions with Mr. Chamberlain.

7852. Do you believe him to be a rich man?—I do not believe him to be a rich man; I believe him to be honest.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

7853. Have you ever had any communication with any of the officers or directors of this company?—I do not know them.

7854. And have had no communication with them?—No.

7855. Mr. *Lord.*] Do you know a person of the name of Rickards?—No, I do not know him; I might know him by sight.

7856. Does he owe you any money?—No.

7857. Do you know Mr. David Castello?—No, I do not know Mr. David Castello.

7858. Do you know a gentleman of the name of Castello?—Yes.

7859. Do you know any transactions between Mr. Castello and Mr. Rickards?—No, I do not.

7860. Do you know Mr. Morgan, whom you asked to sign the deed?—I think I have seen him on 'Change.

7861. Is

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7861. Is he a rich man?—I do not know his circumstances; I have dealt with a person of that name.

7862. Do you know whether there was a subscription for this Morgan?—I do not know.

7863. You never paid anything yourself towards it?—No.

7864. Did you ever pay anything towards it?—No.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Lord* stated he had now closed the evidence he meant to produce in support of Mr. Poulton's petition.

Mr. *Coppock* handed in the scrip of 10 shares of Mr. Dorrington, which he stated completed the 60.

Richard Phillips, called in; and Examined by Mr. *Green.*

Richard Phillips.

7865. WHERE do you reside?—No. 8, Brunswick-street, St. John-street-road.

7866. Have you subscribed to any railway deed?—I have not.

7867. Have you ever signed any railway deed?—I have signed it.

7868. *Chairman.*] Is this your name and handwriting [*handing the deed to the Witness*]?—Yes, it is.

7869. Did you write that, "No. 8, Brunswick-street, Clerkenwell, gentleman?"—Yes.

7870. Did you write any more?—No.

7871. Did you know how many shares you signed for at that time?—I do not, at the present time.

7872. Did you at the time you wrote your name?—Only for one share I thought I was signing for.

7873. Did you write "25 shares 1,250 *l.*, 50 *l.* deposit?"—I did not.

7874. At the time you signed it?—I did not.

7875. Did you see a gentleman sign his name as witness to your signature?—I did not.

7876. Did you pay the deposit of 50 *l.*?—No, I did not; but I am able if called upon, or 100 *l.*

7877. Where did you sign it?—In Bucklersbury.

7878. Mr. *Green.*] What are you by profession?—A watchmaker.

7879. Are you to be found in the office of Mr. Garland?—I am not there always; I am sometimes.

7880. What is Mr. Garland?—He is an officer, I believe.

7881. A police officer?—You know what office he belongs to as well as I do; let it be as short as you can; he is a sheriff's officer; now, there then.

7882. Your name appears upon that deed?—Yes, it does.

7883. Is there any other place with your name in your handwriting?—Not that I know of.

7884. You have stated you believed, at the time of signing the deed, you were signing for one share?—Yes.

7885. If it states you have signed for 25 shares, there has been a gross fraud committed upon you?—It was my mistake for not looking more at it.

7886. If the deed states you have subscribed for 25 shares, there has been a gross fraud committed upon you?—It was my mistake; but at any time there is 50 *l.* or 100 *l.* whenever called for, or 200 *l.*

7787. You stated that you thought you were signing for one share?—Yes.

7888. And it states the 25 were signed for; is not that a fraud upon you?—No, I consider not.

7889. *Chairman.*] Was it a blank where the shares are now written opposite to your name, at the time you signed it?—Yes.

7890. Did you see it filled up before you left the room?—No, I did not.

7891. Mr. *Green.*] Did you give any instruction to any party in the office where you signed the deed, to put in 25 shares?—No.

7892. Did you give them any instruction to put in one share?—No.

7893. Do you know a person of the name of Hoppe?—I cannot say that I do; not to take upon myself to say that I know him; I have heard of his name, as a very honourable gentleman.

7894. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] How do you account for 25 shares being put there, if you only signed for one?—It was quite unawares to me.

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7895. How do you account for it?—I was only signing for one share; I thought that it would be about 20*l.* or 30*l.*, or 40*l.* or 100*l.*

7896. Did you put your finger to the seal?—Yes.

7897. Who told you the words you were to say, when you put your finger to the seal?—They told me to deliver it as my act and deed.

7898. Where was that?—At the office.

7899. Where?—In Bucklersbury.

7900. How came you to go there?—Mr. Garland told me there was a ticket; and if I would go I should get half a sovereign.

7901. To do what?—To sign the deed.

7902. Did Mr. Garland ask you the particular number of shares?—No, he did not.

7903. How came you to think that it was one share?—I thought it was one share, of 25*l.* or 30*l.*, and I had the money.

7904. When you see your signature upon that deed, and the sum of money you have made yourself liable for, are you able to pay it?—No, I am not.

7905. Did you give anybody instructions to put 25 shares in?—No.

7906. Does the sum of 50*l.* appear against your name?—Not that I know of; but provided they call upon me for the shares in that, there is 50*l.*, or 100*l.* or 200*l.*

7907. The deed purports you have paid 50*l.*, being the deposit upon 25 shares; I ask you to state whether that is a fact?—I did not pay any deposit.

7908. *Chairman.*] Did you go to Bucklersbury?—I did.

7909. What happened there?—When I went there, this piece of parchment was there for me to sign.

7910. Who did you see there?—There was some old gentlemen.

7911. Did you know who they were?—No, not then.

7912. How many were there?—Three or four in the room.

7913. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] How did you know that piece of parchment was ready for you to sign?—I was told to go there.

7914. Did anybody tell you you were to sign it?—Yes.

7915. Who was it?—I do not know.

7916. *Chairman.*] What else passed?—I signed the deed, and off I came.

7917. What then?—Then I went about my business.

7918. Did you receive any money for it?—Yes.

7919. Where?—In the street; a man came after me and said, "Mr. Phillips, have you got half a sovereign, and I will give you a sovereign;" I put my hand in my pocket and gave him half a sovereign, and he gave me a sovereign.

7920. Did you know the man?—Yes.

7921. What is his name?—Gore.

7922. What is he?—He is in the drug way.

7923. Does he live in London?—Yes, I believe he does; I have seen him a month ago.

7924. What do you mean by drug way?—Mixing up drugs for the druggists.

7925. Is he a shopman?—Yes, I believe he is; I cannot say any more of him.

7926. Is he a master or servant?—A servant.

7927. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Could you find him out?—No, I could not.

7928. How long have you known him?—I may say six weeks.

7929. Mr. *Green.*] Were you present at the time he executed the deed?—No; I think I came out before him, or afterwards, I cannot say which.

7930. Did you see him in the room?—No.

7931. Did you see him paid any money?—No.

7932. Have you seen him since?—Once.

7933. Did he never admit to you he received 10*s.* for signing?—No.

7934. When you took the card to Bucklersbury, what did you do?—They asked me no questions, and I saw nothing but that piece of parchment for me to sign, and I signed my name.

7935. Did they ask you for any card?—No.

7936 When you produced it at the time, did they understand what it was for?—I suppose they did.

7937. After you had done that, they put the parchment before you?—No.

7938. Did they ask you what number you would like to sign for?—No; I did not know.

7939. Do you know a person of the name of Garrett?—Yes, I do.

7940. Did

7940. Did he ever admit to you he had signed the deed?—He is dead and gone.

7941. Did he ever admit to you, while alive, he had signed that deed?—Never.

7942. When you went into the room there were several parties in the room?—Four or five.

7943. Did you notice any of the parties?—Yes, one.

7944. Do you recollect the person of the party who ran after you?—I have stated that.

7945. Did you see any parties in the office give any money to Gore?—No.

7946. Did Gore ever state to you anything about it?—No.

7947. Was Gore in the office at the time you went there?—Yes, I think he was; and I think I left him in the room, but I am not sure.

7948. He ran after you?—Yes, and asked me if I had half a sovereign, and he would give me a sovereign.

7949. For what?—I do not know what.

7950. Did Mr. Gore owe you money at that time?—He has owed me money often.

7951. Did he owe you half a sovereign at that time?—He has owed me more than that; he has owed me one or two.

7952. Did he owe you half a sovereign at that time?—No, not particularly.

7953. *Chairman.*] Did Mr. Gore, at the time you received the half-sovereign from him, owe you that amount of money?—No, he did not then.

7954. Mr. *Green.*] Have you seen any of the parties connected with this company since last Saturday, or on last Saturday?—One, I believe.

7955. State his name?—Penny. Yes, I have seen Simpson here this very morning.

7956. Have you seen any of the officers belonging to the company?—I have not.

7957. Did you leave instructions at your house, in case anybody called, that you were out of town?—Yes, I did.

7958. Who advised you to do so?—I am in the habit of going out of town, and I left word on Saturday morning with my mistress at home, that in case anybody did call, I was going to Brentford; and a person called on Saturday night, and it has injured my character very much, and that is one of your people; he declared in the open street I was going to Newgate; in the open street, a respectable street; and they thought he was going to knock down the house: but I think he was tipsy, or at least my mistress thought so; he was pitted with the smallpox; I was quite ashamed of the way he behaved to my good woman.

Re-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

7959. I believe you are assistant to Mr. Garland, the sheriff's officer?—Yes, occasionally, not in particular, because I have money in the funds.

7960. If Mr. Garland tells you to go and do a thing, you would go and do it?—If I chose.

7961. If he put a direction on a card, you would pay the same respect to it as to a warrant?—Yes.

7962. Mr. Garland is a respectable man?—Yes.

7963. And able to pay the money when called upon?—He is like myself, able to pay 100*l.* or 200*l.* when called upon.

7964. Do you think he would hold you harmless?—I should think he would.

7965. What time were you at Bucklersbury?—About half-past 11 or 12 in the morning.

7966. What day was it?—I cannot say.

7967. Bucklersbury is rather a narrow street?—Yes.

7968. And dark?—Yes, very dark.

7969. Your hand shakes a good deal, does not it?—Yes, it does.

7970. Your handwriting is rather in that style [*showing the deed to the Witness*]?—Yes.

7971. As it was rather dark, might not the whole of this column have been filled up as far as this one, when you signed?—Yes, it might; it was very dark that day.

7972. So dark that the whole of these three columns might have been filled up?—Yes, it might, because I was not in the place a minute.

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7973. Have you ever had any communication with any of the officers or directors of the company at any time?—No, never.

7974. Do you know any of them?—No, not one.

7975. Neither directly or indirectly have they ever applied to you?—No.

Re-examined by Mr. *Green.*

7976. Did you execute the deed by a power of attorney?—I do not know what that is; if anybody wants money of me, I can always pay them, I never trouble them to come a second time for my money.

[The Witness withdrew.

William Simpson, called in; and Examined.

William Simpson.

7977. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—Assistant to my brother that is a sheriff's officer.

7978. Who is your brother?—Lloyd Simpson.

Examined by Mr. *Green.*

7979. Have you signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway deed?—I have signed it; I did not know it at the time I signed it; I understood it was that.

7980. *Chairman.*] Is that your name and handwriting, "William Simpson, 9, Oxford-street, gentleman" [*handing the deed to the Witness*]?—Yes.

7981. Mr. *Thornely.*] Is gentleman your handwriting?—Yes.

7982. *Chairman.*] Did you write the 25?—I wrote it, by order of the gentleman that put the deed before me.

7983. Did you write the 1,250*l.*, and the 50*l.* deposit?—No, neither of those sums.

7984. Did you pay 50 *l.* deposit?—No.

7985. Who was the gentleman that told you to do it?—I do not know; he was in the room.

7986. He told you to put 25?—Yes, he said put 25 there.

7987. Did you see the gentleman sign his name as a witness?—No

7988. Was the witness's name signed when you were in the room?—No.

7989. Did you put your name upon the seal and deliver the deed?—No.

7990. Mr. *Green.*] Look round the room and see if there is any person in the room that was in the office at the time you signed it?—I have been in the room all the morning, and I cannot see any gentleman I saw then in the office

7991. *Chairman.*] Should you know them?—No, I should not.

7992. Mr. *Green.*] Did you see Mr. Pain in the room?—I have only known him from seeing him in the room on Friday; he was pointed out to me.

7993. State what induced you to go and sign this deed?—Mr. Garland gave me a ticket, and told me, if I went according to the ticket, there was a petition to be presented to Parliament, and they wanted to get as many signatures as they could; if I went I should get 10*s.* for my trouble. I did go there, and I signed that deed.

7994. Do you know the number of shares you have signed for?—I see now; I did not know at that time.

7995. Did you know at the time?—By seeing my own figures, I see it; I did not know I was signing for shares, I thought I was to sign my name to a petition.

7996. Did you consider it was the deed of a company, or a petition to the House of Commons?—Mr. Garland told me it was a petition, and I signed it accordingly.

7997. Did they say anything to you about signing a petition at the office?—No; one of the gentlemen asked me if I had come from Mr. Garland; I said, Yes, and he said, "Wait a minute."

7998. Was it after that you gave in your ticket?—I do not know that I ever gave in my ticket at all; I was asked if I came from Mr. Garland.

7999. Finding you have signed the deed for that large amount, and thinking at the time you were signing a petition, do you not think you have been fraudulently dealt with?—It is an inference, after what I have stated, any man can draw, I expect.

8000. Did

8000. Did you receive 10 *s.* for signing?—Yes.

8001. A petition, as you considered?—That parchment that lies there.

8002. Which has turned out to be the deed of settlement of the company?—Yes; I did not know what it was till I received my summons, last Thursday, to attend on Friday.

8003. Did they call upon you to deliver it as your act and deed?—No.

8004. You are well acquainted with bonds, as a sheriff's officer?—Yes.

8005. Is it not usual to call upon the person to deliver it when he has signed it?—Yes, it is.

8006. Did you authorize any party to put the sum of money and the amount of the deposit to that deed?—Certainly not.

8007. Who paid you the 10 *s.*?—One of the two gentlemen came out of the room after me, and paid me on the landing half a sovereign.

8008. Was there any hesitation to pay you in the room?—There was no attempt to pay me in the room; I do not know whether there would be any hesitation.

8009. Did you not expect to receive it?—Yes, I did; and I told Mr. Garland I had received it, and he is ready to come forward and tell you all he knows about it.

8010. Was there any secrecy in the mode of paying the money?—The gentleman who followed me out was a tall gentleman; he shut the door, and gave me half a sovereign.

8011. Was it in silver or gold?—Half a sovereign in gold; he put it in my hand.

8012. Did he shake hands with you at the time he put it into your hand?—No, he did not.

8013. Was the room very dark?—No.

8014. Are the Committee to understand that you would sign any deed for half a sovereign?—No; if I had thought it was to make myself responsible in purse or person, I would not have signed it for Mr. Garland, or anybody else.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock*.

8015. You are assistant to Mr. Garland?—I know him.

8016. He is a respectable man?—Yes.

8017. You would not object to do what he told you, that was proper?—No.

8018. He told you it was a petition?—Yes.

8019. As they are both upon parchment, do you know the difference between a petition and a deed?—Yes, I know the difference.

8020. Did any person speak to you?—Yes; the person that gave me the half-sovereign said, "You come from Mr. Garland;" I said, yes; he said, "Wait a moment;" that was because another person was signing.

8021. Had you ever signed the petition before?—No.

8022. Is it usual for persons to put the figures 25 after their names when they sign a petition?—I do not know.

8023. Or to have seals to it?—I do not know.

8024. Did you ever see such a thing?—I do not know.

8025. You have never seen a petition for the removal of a grievance with a 25 put against the names?—No.

8026. You did not think it would have 25 times the effect?—No, I did not.

8027. Have you ever seen a petition at all?—Yes, I have.

8028. Did you ever see a petition with a long row of seals?—I do not know that I have; I know I did not seal that deed, that I am quite aware of.

8029. You say you saw in this room, the other day, Mr. Pain; have you ever spoken to him?—Yes, he spoke to me on Friday. I asked him who that gentleman was; I saw he was one of the opposite party, and he told me it was Mr. Green.

8030. Have you ever had any communication with any of the officers of the company?—I do not know any one of them.

8031. Do you know any of the officers of the company, or have you had any communication with them?—No, unless Mr. Hoppe is one; I know him; and I had the honour to do his business for him some time ago.

8032. He authorizes you to do things for him sometimes?—I have executed many writs for him, when I was at home.

 8033. Have

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8033. Have you had any communication with any of the officers or directors of the company as to the signature of the deed?—No, certainly not.

8034. Nobody but Mr. Garland?—Certainly not.

Re-examined by Mr. *Green.*

8035 You signed the instrument, and considered it to be a petition?—Yes.

8036. You executed it?—Yes.

8037. You never signed a petition in your life?—No, excepting that which now turns out to be a deed.

8038. That you believed it to be a petition?—Yes, I did at that time; I do not now.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Frederick Hovatt Pain,* called in; and Examined.

Mr. *F. H. Pain.*

8039. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—I am clerk to Mr. Hoppe.

8040. He is solicitor to this company?—Yes.

8041. Did you attend at Bucklersbury on the day that Mr. Chamberlain signed his name to the deed of the company?—I did.

8042. Did you see him write his name?—I did.

8043. And attested it?—I did.

8044. Were you there on the day that Charles Frasier, 11, Lime-street, broker, signed his name for 30 shares, and did you attest it?—I did.

8045. Was that the same day on which Mr. Chamberlain signed?—I am not quite sure; but I think it was the day previous.

8046. As nearly as you can determine, on what day was it Mr. Chamberlain signed?—The last day.

8047. What do you call the last day?—I cannot say the date.

8048. What do you mean by the last day?—There were two days on which those parties signed at Bucklersbury.

8049. How long was it before the deed was lodged in the Private Bill Office?—I cannot say; I do not know when it was lodged

8050. Was it in February?—It was, I think.

8051. The 13th or the 14th of February?—I think it was about that date.

8052. Were you present at the signatures of all the names that were signed at Bucklersbury?—I was.

8053. By whose desire did you attend there?—By the desire of Mr. Hoppe.

8054. What instructions did Mr. Hoppe give you?—He gave me a letter of introduction to Mr. William Gibbs.

8055. Who is Mr. William Gibbs?—The brother of Mr. Gibbs the engineer.

8056. What did the letter state?—It was to the effect that the bearer had the deeds.

8057. Of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—Yes; and that I was authorized to attest the signatures of the parties he might get to sign the deed for him.

8058. What did you do with this letter?—Took it to Mr. Gibbs.

8059. Who is Mr. Gibbs?—The brother of Mr. Gibbs the engineer.

8060. Where does Mr. Gibbs, the brother of the engineer, live?—He resides at Kennington, but his office is in Bucklersbury.

8061. What number?—I cannot state: I think it must be either 23 or 25.

8062. Was the office at which you attended to attest the signatures the office of Mr. Gibbs?—No, it was not.

8063. What office was it?—I do not know; it was an office next door.

8064. Whom did you see, in consequence of this letter; did you see Mr. Gibbs?—Yes, I did.

8065. What conversation did you have with him?—He said to me, "You are a clerk for Mr. Hoppe;" I said, "I am," or something of that sort. He said, "Will you come into the office next door, and I will bring the parties to you I wish to sign the deed for me."

8066. Your conversation was with Mr. Gibbs, in his own office?—Yes, he asked me to walk in and take the newspaper, and he would follow me.

8067. He requested you to go to the next office?—Yes.

8068. What for?—I went into the next office, and sat down and read the newspaper for a quarter of an hour, and he brought in several of his friends.

8069. Whom

8069. Whom did he bring there?—The various parties whose names are appended to the deed.

8070. You mean, by his friends, the parties who have signed?—Yes.

8071. How many parties attended the first day?—I should think there were about eight or nine or ten; probably, by a reference to the deed I could tell.

8072. Refer to the deed [*The Witness referred to the deed*]?—I think, by a reference to the deed, all the persons down to the name of Francis Newcomb signed the first day; and my reason for recollecting it was, that James and Henry Andrews, residing at Kennington, being neighbours of his, he said he had not time to let them know, but they would be down the next day.

8073. Who attended the room during the period that those parties signed the deed?—I do not think any one, with the exception of Mr. Gibbs and the parties who signed for him.

8074. You say the parties who signed for him; did any communication take place between you and Mr. Gibbs, as to the persons for whom those individuals were to sign?—No; I understood that they were to sign for themselves, that they were to sign the deed for themselves, because he had an objection to sign the deed.

8075. Did he tell you that?—Yes.

8076. When?—The first afternoon I went to him and took the letter.

8077. Was that after the parties had signed, or before?—Before.

8078. On the following day did you also attend?—Yes, I did.

8079. And the other parties whose names are in this column signed?—Yes, they did.

8080. And you attested their signatures?—Yes, I did, every one of them.

8081. Was Mr. Gibbs there the following day?—Yes.

8082. The whole time?—He went and out of the room.

8083. Was he there every time that one of the parties came to sign?—No, he was not.

8084. Was he there the whole time the first day?—No, not entirely; he was there part of the time, and he left the room a short time occasionally.

8085. Sometimes he was present when the parties signed, and sometimes absent?—Yes.

8086. How did you know for what number of shares the parties were to sign?—I could not tell till I saw them write it.

8087. You could not tell for what number of shares the parties were to sign till they wrote it?—No, with the exception of one or two parties, who asked me to write it for them.

8088. Do you mean to say there are only two cases in which the parties themselves filled in the number of shares for which they signed?—No; I mean that there are only one or two cases in which I signed for them, at their express desire; I mean filled in the figures, not signed for them; the first one arose because he was very blind, and it was dark, and, with respect to another, his hand trembled.

8089. Did the parties themselves decide what number of shares should be written opposite to their signatures, or did you give them any instructions upon the subject?—I acted under their precise instructions.

8090. Which are the cases in which you say you filled in the amounts for the parties who signed?—Richard Phillips is one, 25 shares; Henry Penny, 25 shares; I do not see any other figures that are mine; I think there are one or two others.

8091. Did you fill in the amount in those two cases while the parties were present?—I did, prior to their delivering it, and prior to my attesting it.

8092. Did any explanation take place between you and the last witness, Simpson, as to what he was signing?—I do not recollect the man's face at all; I do not recollect ever having spoken to him.

8093. Then, you undertake to say, in every one of these cases, two only excepted, that the parties signing filled in the number of shares, and not you?—Yes; I am almost certain there are not three names there where that did not take place; I might almost be positive that those are the only two instances, and then it was done by the express desire and instruction of the parties.

8094. Did the parties deliver the deed as well as sign?—Yes, they did, every one of them.

8095. What was it that Mr. Gibbs told you upon the subject of getting parties to

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to sign for him?—All that took place between Mr. Gibbs and myself was to the effect, that he objected to sign deeds, and that these friends of his, I think was his expression, would sign for the amount.

8096. Did you know who the parties were?—No, I only knew one individual who came into the room.

8097. In your apprehension, does any responsibility attach to signing deeds of this kind?—I believe there is great responsibility involved in parties signing deeds; but, from what I have heard lately, I am inclined to believe that railway deeds are mere matter of form.

8098. At the time this railway deed was signed, had you learned that railway deeds were mere matter of form, or did you suppose that they were matters of importance?—Why really I had not given the subject much consideration; I do not know what my opinions were then.

8099. Did you think it a matter of consequence that the persons signing the deeds should be persons of responsibility?—I should think it better if they were, but I had no doubt of the respectability of the parties as they signed it.

8100. What reason had you to believe that they were or were not respectable?—Merely from their appearance.

8101. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] You were not directed by the company to make any inquiry upon the subject?—No, certainly not.

8102. You thought it a proper discharge of the duty you had undertaken to attest the signatures of persons coming to sign the deed?—Yes.

8103. Are you certain, in every case, you invited the parties to deliver the deed in the usual form?—I am quite certain of it, I was specially particular upon that point.

8104. Mr. *Forster.*] Did you instruct the parties as to the mode of delivering?—Yes, I instructed nearly every one.

8105. *Chairman.*] Did you know anything about money being paid to parties who signed?—No; nothing whatever.

8106. Mr. *Forster.*] Do you mean, that in the two excepted cases you did not do so?—No; some of them appeared to be acquainted with railway deeds, and they delivered it themselves.

8107. In the two excepted cases, which you have mentioned, did you instruct them?—Yes.

8108. *Chairman.*] In all those cases, do you undertake to say that no money was paid to the parties in the room?—Not to my knowledge, I was not aware of it.

8109. When did you first hear that money was paid to those parties?—Not till I saw it in the newspapers.

8110. When was that?—A day or two after the presentation of the petition of the Deptford and Dover.

8111. Did you afterwards, by the direction of the company, make any inquiry about the persons who had signed as nominees to Mr. Gibbs?—No.

8112. Had Mr. Gibbs previously addressed any letter to the company for any large number of shares?—I am not in a position to say; I do not know.

8113. How was it, if Mr. Gibbs had not previously addressed any letter to the company, claiming a large number of shares, that you could attend and allow any number of persons to sign for him?—I am not the company's clerk.

8114. Are you in the habit of allowing parties to sign for Mr. A. or Mr. B., without having received instructions from the company that Mr. A. or Mr. B. had applied for shares, and had been allowed to take them, and that other parties should be allowed to sign for them?—I have never acted under the authority of the company; I acted under the directions of Mr. Hoppe.

8115. What instructions did he give you?—He gave me a letter of introduction to Mr. Gibbs.

8116. It was, that you should take signatures from such parties as Mr. Gibbs directed?—It was.

Mr. *Green* was directed to confine his examination to the signatures for which 10*s.* was paid.

Examined by Mr. *Green.*

8117. You have stated you are a clerk to Mr. Hoppe, the solicitor of the company?—I am.

8118. Will

8118. Will you undertake to say you were not appointed by Mr. Hoppe, and sanctioned by the directors, as clerk of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I cannot tell what the company directed Mr. Hoppe to do; I can only say what Mr. Hoppe ordered me to do.

8119. Will you undertake to say there are no minutes in the minute-book of the company, in which you are recognised as a clerk of the company?—I know not what is in the minute-books; I never read them, and never heard; and I cannot presume such a minute exists.

8120. Are you in the habit of receiving your salary from Mr. Hoppe as the solicitor of the company, or from Mr. Hoppe, you being his clerk?—As Mr. Hoppe's private clerk.

8121. How long have you been with Mr. Hoppe?—Twelve months.

8122. How long has the company been in existence?—About 12 months.

8123. Had it not been for the circumstance of the petition before this House, would you have been a clerk of the company or of Mr. Hoppe?—A clerk of Mr. Hoppe, most certainly.

8124. You say that Mr. Hoppe gave you the deed of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—Yes, he did.

8125. He told you to take it, with a letter accompanying, to Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

8126. Did you copy the letter in the letter-book which accompanied the deeds?—I did not.

8127. Is the letter in the books of Mr. Hoppe?—I do not know.

8128. Have you had an inspection of the letter since the letter was written by Mr. Hoppe?—Yes.

8129. Be kind enough to state the contents of that letter?—"The bearer is my clerk, and will do what is requested." It was very short; I am positive of the word "bearer."

Mr. *Hoppe* stated that the terms of the letter were, "the bearer has the deeds, and waits your instructions."

8130. Mr. *Green.*] Is it usual for Mr. Hoppe, in his character of solicitor, to write letters without taking a copy of them?—I do not know.

8131. Will you undertake to say, as the clerk of Mr. Hoppe, you are not acquainted sufficiently with his mode of conducting his business as to state that every letter is not copied?—I cannot state any such thing.

8132. Will you take upon yourself to state it is otherwise?—No, I will not.

8133. You gave the letter to Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

8134. After you had given it to Mr. Gibbs, what did he state to you?—He gave me the newspaper, and directed me to go into an office in the next house.

8135. Did he state you were to go into any particular office, or into that office generally?—I cannot say whose it was.

8136. What number is the house?—No. 24; it was a front room on the first floor.

8137. How happened you to go into that room more than any other?—Because I was ordered.

8138. You have stated when you got into this office, that Mr. Gibbs, accompanied by several of his friends, came into that office?—I did.

8139. Are the Committee to understand that you mean by the word "friends," that the parties who received the 10*s.* were the friends of Mr. Gibbs?—I should consider them as such.

8140. What should make you consider them as friends?—They came in doing an act of friendship for him.

8141. For him?—Yes.

8142. And not for the company?—Decidedly not.

8143. How do you know that?—From Mr. Gibbs.

8144. Did Mr. Gibbs ever state to you that those signings were for the real increase of the property of the concern, or for any trick to comply with the Standing Orders?—It was not done for any trick to comply with the Standing Orders; I believe it was totally for the benefit of Mr. Gibbs, and him alone.

8145. When was the Bill read a first time?—The dates will show.

8146. Have you any idea of the time?—I think the 1st of March.

8147. On what day was it necessary, to be in time to present your petition to the House, that you should have lodged the subscribers' contract in the Private Bill Office in the House of Commons?—I cannot say.

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8148. Will you undertake to say, as clerk of Mr. Hoppe, conducting such important business as you do for him, you do not know the date on which the deed should be deposited in the Private Bill Office?—I do not.

8149. Will you state to the Committee the date, as well as the month, when the friends of Mr. Gibbs came first to sign the deed?—It was in the month of February; I cannot tell the date.

8150. Was it anywhere near the 14th?—It might be.

8151. Will you undertake to say it was not on the 14th?—I cannot undertake to say that it was or it was not; but I can ascertain it if you wish it.

8152. You appear on the deed to have attested the execution of the signatures to a large amount; will you state to the Committee any other occasion except this where you have heard of parties coming to sign a deed without delivering in the scrip or banker's receipt?—I never saw a banker's receipt as yet, as connected with this company.

8153. State to the Committee your authority to let any person that came up to your office sign the deed?—I do not understand the question.

8154. What was your authority to let any person sign the deed?—Mr. Hoppe's letter.

8155. Do you mean to say on the first day the shares were appropriated that the authority to the clerk to let parties sign the deed was a mere piece of paper?—I suppose you mean the attesting.

8156. No, I am speaking of your authority to let me, if I came up to the office, sign the deed; there were letters of appropriation the first day of the establishment of the company?—Yes.

8157. What was the authority of the parties that paid the money to justify you in allowing them to sign that deed?—I do not know; I did not attest the signatures on other days.

8158. What was done on the other days?—The parties came to sign.

8159. Did they produce anything?—I do not know that they did.

8160. Will you undertake to say that these parties, previous to their signing the deed, and as your authority for letting them sign, presented any document to you?—Never.

8161. Did you not consider it necessary, in your character as clerk to Mr. Hoppe, the solicitor of the company, to require these parties should show some authority by which they claimed to sign the deed?—Certainly not.

8162. Did you ever ask them?—Certainly not.

8163. Were there any particular names written in the letter you took from Mr. Hoppe to Mr. Gibbs?—Not a single name, with the exception of the signature of Mr. Hoppe.

8164. When these parties came up to you, did you allow them to sign, although you knew they were not shareholders?—I did not know whether they were shareholders or not.

8165. Are the Committee to understand you were there to know nothing but to get the deed signed?—I was to do my duty.

8166. Were you there to get the deed signed by parties, whether men of straw or not?—I merely witnessed the signatures.

8167. *Chairman.*] Who filled in the amount of the money the shares would amount to and the deposits?—I did.

8168. Upon what authority did you fill in the amount and the deposits paid?—In consequence of Mr. Gritton, Mr. Hoppe's clerk, having attested the signatures in the first instance; he filled in the amount to save time to the parties who called to pay their deposits.

8169. Did you or he fill in the column of deposits paid before the signatures were made in Bucklersbury?—I did.

8170. Did you not know that the meaning of it was to affirm in the body of the deed itself the deposits had been paid upon those shares?—Yes, certainly.

8171. How did you know the deposits had been paid upon those shares or not?—From the party having signed.

8172. Did the parties who signed inform you they had paid the deposits?—No, but I presumed they had.

8173. Why did you presume that?—Because, in the first instance, in the majority of instances the parties who signed the deed had paid their money.

8174. What parties?—The parties whose names are there.

8175. Do you mean to say that because certain parties had paid, and an entry

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was made accordingly, that therefore in cases where you did not know whether they had paid or not, that you were to make an entry that they had paid?—I presume they had paid; I did not know to the contrary.

8176. Did Mr. Gibbs inform you that they had paid the deposits?—No.

8177. Did Mr. Gibbs inform you that he had paid his deposits upon those shares?—No.

8178. And yet, without having any knowledge upon the subject one way or the other, you enter opposite to the names of the parties who sign that they had paid their deposits?—I did; I believe it is a customary thing, and has been done throughout the deed.

8179. Is it customary to do it, whether the parties have paid or not?—I presumed they had paid.

8180. Here are certain other names in the deed to which your signature is affixed; seven other names; were those signatures also made in Bucklersbury, beginning with Francis Harvey and ending with George Barnes?—Yes, they were.

8181. Mr. *Coppock.*] Are you not making a mistake?—I am not sure.

8182. *Chairman.*] Francis Harvey, Vernon Prankard, William Allinson, William Piercy, John Jackson, A. H. Salom, Richard Lee and George Barnes; were those signatures made at Bucklersbury also?—I think they were.

8183. Mr. *Green.*] When the parties signed the deed at Bucklersbury, and you presumed they had paid the money, did you give them the scrip?—Decidedly not.

8184. Is it usual with parties who have paid the money and signed the deed to receive the scrip at the same time?—I believe it is usual for them to receive the scrip, but not from the attesting witness.

8185. Are you not acquainted with the fact, that when a party gives up the authority to show he has paid the money, and in pursuance of which he signs the deed, that he receives the scrip?—In some cases, I believe, it is not.

8186. State in what cases it is done?—If I am at liberty to mention the private concerns of the company, I can mention several gentlemen whose scrip is still in the possession of the company, who have signed the deed and have paid the deposits.

8187. Are there any parties who have signed the deed and actually paid their deposits, and have not received their scrip?—Yes, there are some parties whose scrip is still in the safe keeping of the company.

8188. Can you mention any respectable company that allow persons in bad circumstances, or men of straw, to sign the deed for other persons who are respectable and able to pay subscriptions?—I cannot answer what other companies do.

8189. Will you undertake to say, of your own knowledge, it is not the fact?—I undertake to say I know nothing of the affairs of any other company.

8190. As a clerk of Mr. Hoppe the solicitor, it is reasonable for the Committee to infer, you are well aware, that one man giving another 10*s.* to sign for him, that the man who signs is the responsible party, and not the other man?—I was not aware there was any question as to that you are speaking about, the Committee inferring something.

8191. Are you aware that the person signing the deed is the only party responsible upon that deed?—I never signed a deed, and know nothing about them.

8192. Are you aware, as a clerk to a solicitor, that the party when he attaches his name to a deed, that being under seal, is for ever liable?—Yes.

8193. Then what difference will it make to the public by allowing men to sign the deed who are men of property, and men to sign it who are not men of property, and who do it under a 10*s.* fee?—I cannot say.

8194. Are you personally known to Mr. Gibbs?—I never saw him till the afternoon I took the letter to him.

8195. Did Mr. Gibbs himself state to you, or did you hear in the office, that he is a relative to two parties who signed the deed, the two Andrews?—No, he never did.

8196. When a party came to sign the deed, did you take the tickets?—No, I took no tickets.

8197. Will you state the parties to whom they gave the tickets?—No one.

8198. Are the Committee to understand that all the evidence given by the men who say they took a ticket and gave a ticket at the office is false?—I saw tickets given to no one; I saw tickets in their hands, bearing "24, Bucklersbury," but I never saw a ticket given to any one whatever.

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8199. *Chairman.*] Did you see a ticket given in by any one?—No, I did not; I only saw them hold it up.

8200. Mr. *Green.*] Do you know in whose handwriting they were?—No.

8201. You say Henry Penny and William Simpson are the only parties who had not signed the deed, and put their names and the sums?—I do not mention Mr. Simpson.

8202. Will you be kind enough to inform the Committee what was the conduct of Mr. Simpson towards you when he came up to the office to sign the deed?—I do not recollect his face at all.

8203. Your name appears as the attesting witness?—It does.

8204. Were the parties that came up so numerous that you do not recollect them?—I certainly do not recollect them.

8205. Was the room so dark you could not recognise them?—Certainly not.

8206. Do you know whether Mr. Hoppe paid any sum of money for that room on the two days?—I might say positively of my own knowledge he did not.

8207. Was it kept by a person of the name of Turner?—I do not know.

8208. Do you mean to say that you go into the office of a person whose name is on the door, architect and surveyor, without knowing the person?—I never saw the name on the door at all.

8209. Is it the office of the company?—Decidedly not.

8210. Will you state the conversation that occurred between you and Mr. Gibbs upon his stating he objected to sign the deeds?—I cannot recollect what he said; it was merely that friends of his were going to sign the deed in consequence of his objecting to do so.

8211. And in continuation, Mr. Gibbs brought in his friends, and you attested the names?—I did.

8212. Do you know whether Mr. Gibbs has upon any other occasion allowed deeds or a deed to be executed under similar circumstances?—I know nothing of Mr. Gibbs, directly or indirectly.

8213. You have stated that you know nothing relative to the merits of the petition, except from what you read in the newspapers?—I did not know anything about the 10*s.* matters till the presentation of the petition.

8214. Who did it originate from?—The first originated from Mr. Poulton, and the second from yourself, I believe.

8215. Correct yourself, if you please?—I am not sure.

8216. Would you undertake to state, that through Mr. Hoppe, Mr. Powell, or any other of the clerks in the company's office, or in the office of Mr. Hoppe, you were not acquainted with the circumstance before you saw it in the newspapers?—I might.

8217. After you read it in the newspapers, were you applied to by Mr. Hoppe to know if such facts were correct, as stated in the petition?—Certainly not.

8218. Although a serious charge affecting the honour of the company and the respectability of Mr. Hoppe was published in the public newspapers, Mr. Hoppe never thought proper to apply to you?—No, certainly not; he would apply to Mr. Gibbs; I think all Mr. Hoppe asked me was, whether there was any money paid, or whether I saw any 10*s.* paid.

8219. *Chairman.*] Was this after the agitation of the question?—Yes; he was very much surprised, now I recollect.

8220. Mr. *Green.*] Will you undertake to state that the first information that you had of this affair of this company, namely, signing the deed for 10*s.*, was by means of the newspapers, relative to a petition being presented to the House of Commons?—I have made a little mistake: the first information I received was from Mr. Poulton and Mr. Jones, and another individual, (I am not certain that it was Mr. Green,) calling at the office, and one of the parties said he wished to see Mr. Powell; I said Mr. Powell was out of town, but Mr. Hoppe was at his office; and he said, "I will call again;" he did call again, and Mr. Hoppe and myself were present, and he said, "I understand you have been getting certain paupers to sign your deed, and you have paid them 10*s.* for doing so;" and I think I made answer, "I am very much surprised at hearing it, and certainly can give my most unqualified contradiction to it."

8221. Am I to understand that on the conversation between yourself and Mr. Poulton, and Mr. Jones and myself, stating that paupers had been applied to and engaged to sign the deed, you expressed your surprise?—Yes, decidedly so.

so. I was very much astonished; I said I could give my most unqualified contradiction to it, for I was certain no 10*s.* had been paid.

8222. Was the room so dark that the party signing the deed might have received it without your seeing it?—No, certainly not.

8223. Might they, outside the door?—They certainly might; I could not tell what took place at the outside of the door; it was morally impossible.

8224. After the petition was presented to the House of Commons, do you know of your own knowledge that any directors or officers of the company waited upon Mr. Duncombe, to prevail upon him not to go into this inquiry about these names?—No, I do not.

8225. Will you undertake to state that the parties did not state to Mr. Duncombe, as a means to prevent this coming forward, that both Mr. Poulton and myself had just come out of Horsemonger-lane gaol?—No.

8226. Or words to that effect?—No.

8227. Have you ever heard of any one waiting upon Mr. Duncombe, and trying to persuade him not to continue the presentation of the petition?—Certainly not.

8228. Did Mr. Duncombe come out of the House and state that the Speaker was against the petition being referred to the Committee on the Bill, but that it must go to the Select Committee sitting on the Dover and Kent Railway?—I never heard him say so.

8229. Will you look at the deed and state whether J. H. Duffield, appearing to reside, on that deed, at Homerton, signed the deed in your presence?—I do not think I attested it. [*The Witness examined the deed.*] No, I did not attest it.

8230. Do you know any person of the name of Brown?—I know several.

8231. Do you know Mr. Brown, a stockbroker, in Angel-court?—I know him by sight.

8232. Have you had any transactions with him relative to this company?—Never.

8233. *Chairman.*] Who is the Mr. Pain who has signed for 10,000*l.*?—He is my father.

8234. Do you know whether he holds shares now?—I do not know; he is out of town.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8235. Just look at the deed, and tell me the amount of shares you witnessed at 24, Bucklersbury; do the number of those shares altogether, including those impeached and those not impeached, amount to 1,005?—Certainly not.

8236. Just add them up, and see if the number of shares that bear your signature amount to 1,005 (*The Witness added them up*)?—Yes, they are 1,005.

8237. Those were the total amount of shares you witnessed on those days?—Yes.

8238. Are you aware of the amount of the estimate that this company requires being 665,000*l.*?—Yes, I believe it is.

8239. Are you aware of the number of shares on that deed as lodged being 7,771?—I believe it is.

8240. Deducting 1,005 from 7,771, how many would remain?—6,766.

8241. At 50*l.* a share each, what would be the total amount of those shares?—£.338,300.

8242. Then, before you witnessed any signatures to the deed, there were already upon it 338,300*l.* for shares you had not witnessed?—Yes, there were.

8243. None of which are impeached in any way?—No.

8244. Deducting these 1,005 shares you witnessed, and presuming the total amount was 338,300*l.*, there would remain a sum of more than 6,000*l.* beyond the amount required by the Standing Orders of Parliament?—Yes, there would.

8245. Were any of those 6,766 shares added after you had witnessed those shares in Bucklersbury?—Certainly not.

8246. *Chairman.*] You are quite certain of that?—Yes.

8247. Mr. *Coppock.*] Therefore, according to that amount, at the time you went to Bucklersbury, there was a sum of 6,000*l.* over and above the sum required by the Standing Orders?—There was.

8248. Your orders to go to Bucklersbury were from Mr. Hoppe?—Yes.

8249. "The

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8249. "The bearer has the deed, and waits your instructions"?—Yes.

8250. Or words to that effect?—Yes.

8251. What you did there, you did under the authority of Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

8252. The persons introduced to you were introduced by Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

8253. You made no inquiries about them?—No.

8254. Is it not the custom for clerks when attesting a deed to act under the directions of their master?—Certainly.

8255. If you had to attest a will, should you make any inquiries about it?—Certainly not.

8256. You acted there as you would on all similar occasions?—Yes, I did.

[The Witness withdrew.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. Thornely.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. Warburton.

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *Frederick Hovatt Pain*, called in; and further Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock*, as follows:

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8257. YOU stated yesterday that, previous to any signatures being obtained to the deed of this company, which you attested, there was the sum of 6,000*l.* already subscribed more than sufficient for the Standing Orders of the House of Commons?—Yes, there was.

8258. Had you, previously to Mr. Poulton and Mr. Green calling upon you, heard anything of money being paid for signatures to the deed?—Certainly not.

8259. Did you, on looking at the deed, find any such name as Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, of Canonbury?—No.

8260. What is the signature of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton to the deed?—Of Hounslow.

8261. Staines-row, Hounslow?—Yes.

8262. Is there any Benjamin Wheeler Poulton there?—Yes, there is, I believe.

8263. Who is he?—I believe he is the father of this Mr. Poulton.

Re-examined by Mr. *Lord*.

8264. You have stated that Poulton has presented himself; do you happen to know whether his father does not live at Hounslow?—I have stated that.

8265. Do you know whether Mr. Poulton does not go to his father, and stay there a considerable time?—I do not know it.

8266. Do you not know that his letters are sent there?—I believe they are, because our letters were sent there to him; and he obtained his shares upon the respectability of the party there.

8267. You are in the habit of making inquiries as to parties applying for shares?—Yes.

8268. Always?—Not always.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *James Henry Duffield*, called in; and Examined as follows:

Mr. *J. H. Duffield.*

8269. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—A stockbroker.

8270. Where do you transact your business?—At the Stock Exchange.

8271. Are you a member of the Stock Exchange?—Yes.

8272. Have you signed the Deptford and Westminster Bridge contract deed?—I have.

8273. Is this your name and handwriting; and read so much of the line as is in your own handwriting; and if there is any part not in your handwriting, then read that [*handing the deed to the Witness*]?—That is my signature, "James Henry

Henry Duffield, Homerton, gentleman, 200 shares, 10,000 *l.*, and 400 *l.* paid;" that is all in my own handwriting. *Mr. J. H. Duffield.* 25 April 1837.

8274. Have you paid the deposit?—I have, by a draft; I can show you a a voucher for it.

8275. When was it?—I do not know exactly the date; but I can show you my banker's book, if needful.

8276. Was it some time in April last year?—Possibly it might have been.

Examined by Mr. *Green.*

8277. Have you signed this deed for any sum other than the 400 *l.* you have paid?—Yes; in the first instance for 25 shares.

8278. Have the goodness to look at the deed again?—You will find that is in Throgmorton-street, where I transact my business.

8279. *Chairman.*] To whom did you pay the 400 *l.*?—It was a draft on Messrs. Glyn's house.

8280. Where did you pay it in?—At the moment I do not know exactly what bankers' I did pay it into.

8281. Is this your name and handwriting for 25 shares, 1,250 *l.*, and 50 *l.* deposit [*handing the deed to the Witness*]?—That is my signature, "James Henry Duffield, 35, Throgmorton-street, gentleman, 25 shares, 1,250 *l.*, and 50 *l.* deposit," paid by a draft on Messrs. Glyn.

8282. Mr. *Coppock.*] It is all in your handwriting?—Yes.

Mr. *Green* called the attention of the Committee to the variation in the signatures of the witness to the deed.

The *Chairman* stated that the signatures appeared to be the same handwriting.

8283. Mr. *Green.*] Be kind enough to state to the Committee what induced you to sign first as living in Throgmorton-street, and the second at Homerton?—I can very briefly answer that question, because I very frequently sign in many instances, not deeds, in Throgmorton-street, but anything else, and sometimes at Homerton, and I never give it a consideration. Homerton is my residence and Throgmorton-street my place of business.

8284. Did you ever, on any other railway deed you have signed, sign the deed twice?—I do not know whether I am bound to answer that question.

8285. You are a member of the Stock Exchange you say; are you not a clerk in the house or the office of Mr. Shewell?—I do not know that I am bound to answer that question.

8286. *Chairman.*] Yes, certainly.—Why, the fact is, I am authorized to transact business both for Mr. Shewell and on my own account.

8287. That is not a direct answer to the question; the question is, whether you are a clerk or not?—I am clerk to Mr. Shewell.

8288. Does Mr. Shewell know of your subscribing to this large amount?—Yes.

8289. Is this subscription for 200 shares in your own behalf?—Yes.

8290. And not on behalf of another?—No.

8291. Mr. *Green.*] Have you had any conversation with Mr. Shewell previous to signing this deed?—Not upon this business.

8292. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Shewell previous to the signing of the deed for 200 shares?—Conversations on business generally.

8293. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Shewell previous to the signing the Deptford and Westminster Bridge deed for 200 shares?—No.

8294. Do you know Mr. Hoppe?—I know there is such a person.

8295. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Hoppe relative to the signing that deed?—No.

8296. Have you admitted to any person, on making the inquiry, that you did so by the desire and advice of Hoppe?—No.

8297. Are you capable of paying up the instalments upon the 225 shares?—As far as regards that, I am not bound to pay immediately. I dare say I am if they go on with it.

8298. Are you the holder of the same shares you subscribed for to this deed?—I hold them in my desk.

8299. How many?—225.

8300. Are they the identical shares?—Yes.

8301. What did you pay upon them?—£.450.

8302. Who

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8302. Who did you pay it to?—To the bankers.

8303. Was it by a draft?—Yes.

8304. On whom?—Messrs. Glyn's. No; I beg to correct my former evidence; it was on Messrs. Esdailes, not upon Messrs. Glyn.

8305. Mr. *Green.*] Had you an account at Messrs. Esdailes' at that time to draw upon?—I had a running account, and can draw to any amount on Mr. Shewell's account, which is one and the same thing.

8306. Was it your own account at Messrs. Esdailes', or that of your employer?—I drew the draft, which is a common occurrence for me, and to sign. I draw for Mr. Shewell to any amount; and if he is in the way he signs it, and if not I sign it; he might have signed it for me; and I shall have a debit and credit account.

8307. Was it upon your own balance standing in Esdailes' house, or upon the balance of your employers, Messrs. Shewell, that you drew for that amount of 400*l.*?—I never had a private account.

8308. *Chairman.*] Give a direct answer to the question, and then add any explanation?—I had no account there.

8309. Was it with the privity and knowledge of your employers that you drew for that amount of 400 *l.* upon their account?—Yes.

8310. Are your employers in the habit of allowing you to draw upon their account for purposes merely regarding your own transactions, as this appears to have been, from your statement?—Yes.

8311. If you mean to invest money in any company's shares, your employers allow you to draw upon their account to any amount?—Yes.

8312. Do you mean to say your employers do this, without having any interest in the shares for which you so pay?—Yes.

8313. And that to any amount?—Yes.

8314. And that you say distinctly, without their having any interest whatever in the shares for which you so pay?—Yes.

8315. You stated you were a member of the Stock Exchange: is the Committee to understand, by being a member of the Stock Exchange, you mean you are a clerk entered upon the Stock Exchange by the authority of Mr. Shewell, and entitled to do business?—Yes.

8316. Then, in point of fact, you are not a member of the Stock Exchange?—No.

8317. You are merely clerk for Mr. Shewell, and having authority to do business for yourself?—Yes.

8318. You paid the deposit of the 400*l.*?—Yes.

8319. By a draft?—Yes.

8320. Was it drawn by yourself?—I cannot answer that question now directly; I am in the habit perhaps of signing 10 drafts in a day, and I cannot tell whether Mr. Shewell signed it or me.

8321. Did you have any conversation with Mr. Shewell as to the 200 shares, and the payment of the instalment upon them, previously to the drawing of the cheque?—No.

8322. At the time you drew the cheque, and paid the cheque as a deposit upon those shares, had you any money of your own in the hands of the bankers?—I have stated so before.

8323. How was the 25 shares paid; was it by a draft?—Yes, on Esdailes, for 50*l.*

8324. Who drew it?—Possibly I might, or Mr. Shewell.

8325. Have you accounted to Messrs. Shewell for this 400 *l.*?—Yes.

8326. Is that in money or for services?—For services and other transactions I had a running account with Messrs. Shewell.

8327. Are the Committee to understand that in any stock-jobbings you have with Messrs. Shewell, any profit coming to you has been deducted from this sum?—Yes.

8328. Gambling transactions?—I cannot say that.

8329. Have you had connexions with Mr. Shewell in railway shares?—Yes.

8330. Has the profit accruing to you been deducted from it?—Yes.

8331. You have stated you are a clerk to Mr. Shewell?—Yes.

8332. You stated also you had had transactions with Messrs. Shewell, your employers, in which there has been a difference in your favour?—Yes.

8333. That has been arising from a change in the money-market?—Possibly.

8334. Will

8334. Will you undertake to say it was not so?—I am not bound to answer that question.

8335. Are the Committee to understand, that any balances arising from those different stock-jobbing transactions in your favour have been deducted out of the 400*l.* which you actually owe to Mr. Shewell?—I do not owe it.

8336. Which you did owe him?—I did not owe it.

8337. How do you make it appear you can draw for 400*l.*?—Because I had a balance in my favour.

8338. At the bankers'?—No, in his hands.

8339. Is it customary for the clerks of stockbrokers to have a balance in the hands of their employers?—Yes; I can show you an account with a much larger balance.

8340. How lately?—I cannot say.

8341. In the last two years?—Yes.

8342. What was the balance in the last six months?—I am not bound to answer that.

8343. Where are the 225 shares?—In my desk.

8344. Is that desk in the office of Messrs. Shewell?—Yes.

8345. Are they in that desk subject to a lien?—No, at my disposal.

8346. If any balance was due from you to Messrs. Shewell, would they not have a lien upon those shares?—I have many other things as well as those shares.

Chairman.] That is not an answer; you must answer the question more directly.

8347. Mr. *Green.*] If any balance was due from you to Messrs. Shewell, would they not have a lien upon the shares?—I should think not.

8348. Has there been a previous agreement between yourself and Messrs. Shewell that they shall have a lien upon the shares?—No.

8349. Was your first application to this company for 25 shares in writing?—Yes.

8350. How many shares did you apply for to this company, in the first instance?—I think, 50.

8351. Will you state to the Committee when you paid the deposit upon those shares?—I cannot answer the date.

8352. Will you state anywhere near the time you paid the 400*l.* upon the 200 shares?—I cannot exactly answer the date.

8353. Did you make application to the company in writing for those 200 shares?—I did not.

8354. Can you state to the Committee about the time you received them?—I cannot.

8355. Can you state to the Committee, in the month of February last, the price of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford shares on the Stock Exchange?—I do not know.

8356. *Chairman.*] About what time was it you paid the 400*l.* for those 200 shares?—I think, possibly April was one month, or March, it might have been.

8357. You are sure it is about a year ago?—Yes, I think it is.

8358. Mr. *Green.*] At the time you took the 200 shares, will you take upon yourself to say they were not at a half discount?—Not at the time I paid for them; they were at a premium when I paid for them.

8359. Are the Committee to understand there was a difference in the value when you took them and when you paid for them?—When I took those shares, when I paid for those shares, I did not take them till a considerable time afterwards, and as to the price then, I cannot say.

8360. Were they at par?—I cannot say.

8361. What is the impression upon your mind, from your knowledge of the Stock Exchange?—I cannot say; that is a different question altogether.

8362. Have you jobbed in these shares?—Never.

[*The Witness was directed to produce the two drafts that were alluded to in his examination.*]

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8363. Mr. Shewell is in a very extensive way of business?—Yes.

8364. Much more extensively than they can manage themselves?—Yes.

8365. Is it not a common thing for persons in large businesses, as stockbrokers, to have a clerk to transact business for them?—Yes.

 8366. If

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8366. If you were to sign cheques for 100,000 *l.*, should you have the means to meet them to-morrow?—Yes; no doubt of it.

8367. Where did you sign the deed?—At Cornhill, I think it was.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *William Gibbs*, called in; and Examined as follows:

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8368. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your business?—I am not in business at all.

8369. What is your occupation?—I have no occupation; I am a private individual.

8370. Where do you live?—Kennington Oval.

8371. Are you a subscriber to this railway deed?—No.

Examined by Mr. *Green.*

8372. Do you know a person of the name of Garland?—I do.

8373. Have you ever had any conversation with Mr. Garland relative to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I met Mr. Garland one morning in the city, and told him I held a considerable number of shares in the Westminster and Deptford Railway, and that Mr. Price had made application to me, in consequence of holding those shares, to sign the Parliamentary deed. I told him I never did sign anything of the kind, and I had a very great objection to anything of the sort. I had a very great many shares in the concern for myself and friends, and it was impossible I could sign a deed for friends in the country who had intrusted me to purchase those shares for them, if there should be any kind of responsibility; not that I doubted there was a responsibility, but I could not sign for them, and I could not send it down to the country to them to sign it at that late hour; and if he could procure persons to sign for small amounts, I should be obliged to him, and that was all.

8374. *Chairman.*] What shares do you hold?—A thousand.

8375. Did you ever apply to the company for them?—It was an arrangement between Mr. Price and myself; I had known him many years; he is the engineer of the company. I have assisted him and he has assisted me in promoting objects in the country; he said this was a very important thing, and would I assist him in taking some of those shares, as he had got rid of shares for some friends of mine; and I, in a great measure to serve him, recommended parties to take those shares in the north of England; he handed the shares over to me, and I hold them for myself and friends in the country, in the north of England.

8376. Except at his request, had you any intention of taking any shares?—He had waited upon me a great many times. I refused at first taking so large a quantity; it was a very important thing, because I was in a great measure taking them for friends in the country, and it is a difficult thing to know whether you are doing right or wrong. I hesitated a long while, and he said he would guarantee I should not be a loser by them; that although things appeared gloomy, it was important I should render him some assistance.

8377. When was this first conversation?—It was some time ago.

8378. As near as you can tell, when was it?—About six months ago.

8379. When was the last conversation?—The day before they lodged the Parliamentary deed, or a day or two before.

8380. Who were those friends in the country of whom you speak as being parties for whom you had obtained shares?—They are my own relatives in Derbyshire.

8381. Give their names?—Mr. Cantrell.

8382. Where does he live?—Lee Mills, near Congleton; he is a very large iron-manufacturer.

8383. Mr. *Forster.*] Is that in Derbyshire?—That is in Lancashire; his proper residence is at Wetton, near Ashbourne, Derbyshire.

8384. *Chairman.*] How many shares do you hold for him?—He wrote to me, and I have seen him several times.

8385. How many shares did you procure for him?—He did not give me any limit; he said anything I thought would be a benefit to him; he had money he should like to invest; he has a good many nephews and nieces, and no children; and said that he wished to make them presents.

8386. How many shares have you obtained for him?—I have never had an opportunity of seeing him since I purchased those shares, to let him know how many

many he is to have; but the last time I had a conversation with him to this effect; he said, "If you see anything in the market likely to be a benefit to me I shall be obliged to you to take advantage of it; I am in the country, and have no means of knowing."

8387. Before you obtained the shares, did Mr. Cantrell inform you of any distinct number of shares he wished you to procure for him?—No, neither the number of shares, nor in any particular speculation did he wish me to invest it in.

8388. Since you have obtained those shares have you informed him of any distinct number you have set apart for him?—No, certainly not.

8389. Who besides Mr. Cantrell is there that you have obtained shares for?—For his brother, Mr. Daniel Cantrell.

8390. Where does he live?—Gateham Grange, Derbyshire.

8391. What number of shares have you obtained for him?—I have not told him any number; but Mr. George Cantrell told me that him and his brother would take any number that I could recommend.

8392. Before you obtained the shares, did he instruct you as to the particular number of shares you were to obtain for him?—No.

8393. Since you obtained them, have you informed him of any number of shares you have set apart for him?—No.

8394. Who else is there?—I have taken them for him and his friends.

8395. Is there any other person you have taken shares for?—His niece, Miss Cantrell, daughter of Mr. Daniel Cantrell.

8396. Before you obtained the shares did she tell you any particular number she wished to have?—No.

8397. Since you obtained them, have you informed them of any particular number you have set apart for them?—No; I have told them I have got some shares for them, and I shall tell them the number when I go down, which I expect to do shortly, and if they object to take them, I must keep them; they have unfortunately gone down very much, and it is an unfortunate thing for me; I am largely embarked in it; I did not take them to speculate in them.

8398. Did you ever apply to the company by letter, or any officer of the company, for shares?—No, I had not any thought of doing anything of the kind; it is a matter of agreement between Mr. Price and me; and from his strong recommendation of this matter. He stated to me at the time, he was quite sure it would be a good thing and a safe investment, and that he would at any time guarantee that I should never be a loser by it, if I required it.

8399. Then you are taking them at the risk of Mr. Price, and not your own risk?—No; I should think if I sustained a great loss by it, he would take some of them if required; but I have never done so.

8400. Did you not say, at the time you took them, that Mr. Price gave you an assurance he would bear you harmless?—His words were to this effect: "I can strongly recommend this as a good investment to your friends; and as I know you have many friends in the north, who think a great deal better of railways than people in London; they know what railroads are there, in a railroad country; and if you can recommend it, you will do a service to yourself and your friends."

8401. You have said that Mr. Price gave you an assurance that if there was to be any loss he would guarantee you?—He said, I think, "I will pledge myself there will be no loss upon these, if you do not want to sell them."

8402. Did you pay any deposit upon those shares?—I paid upon them.

8403. When?—At different times.

8404. State the date of any payment you made to the company, or any officer of the company, or the banker of the company, on account of the deposits upon those shares?—It was through Mr. Price I paid this money.

8405. What do you mean by through Mr. Price; did you pay the money yourself?—Yes; not all at once.

8406. State the date of any payment you made to Mr. Price on account of the deposits upon these shares?—I cannot speak exactly, because I did not come prepared with any dates, nor did I keep any account. It is a private sort of thing. I can furnish you only from memory.

8407. How was the money paid?—In notes, and some in gold.

8408. Do you keep any account at any banker's?—No, I do not.

8409. What was the sum you paid altogether to Mr. Price on account of these shares?—Some proportion of it to servants of the company.

 8410. What

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8410. What was the sum you paid to Mr. Price and to the servants of the company, on account of those shares?—I do not recollect the sum, but I can furnish that fact; I have not got the particulars.

8411. You are required to furnish the Committee with the sums and the dates on which you paid those sums, and to attend here to-morrow morning for the purpose of stating the dates and the payments made?—Exactly so; I will give it from memory as well as I can.

8412. And to whom paid?—Yes.

8413. Has any scrip been handed over to you in return for the payment of those deposits?—No, I have never made any application for any scrip.

8414. Mr. *Green.*] What is Mr. Price?—He is an engineer.

8415. Do you know of your own knowledge that Mr. Price is the engineer to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway?—I only know from what he has told me.

Mr. *Coppock* admitted that Mr. Price was engineer to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company.

8416. Do you know a person of the name of Jacobs?—I only know him from hearsay; I knew a tall person occasionally at the Exchange, but I did not know his name till yesterday; I knew him by sight, but not by name; I have frequently seen him.

8417. Have you at any time previously to yesterday had any conversation with Mr. Jacobs regarding the Westminster Bridge Company?—Yes.

8418. State what it was, and where?—Mr. Price, on a morning or two before the lodgment of the plans, urged me very much to sign the Parliamentary deed; I said I had a very strong objection to anything of the kind, and I could not do it; he said, it was a very serious thing for him, for they had no time to get the deed sent to any of their friends in the country, and if I would not sign it myself, I must get some persons to sign it for me; and I said I would endeavour to do so, but I would not do it myself.

8419. Mr. *Thornely.*] Mr. Price told you that?—Yes.

8420. Mr. *Green.*] Have there been any money transactions between you and Mr. Jacobs in the last two months?—No; the only time I had any transaction with Mr. Jacobs was then; and I will just explain to the Committee, as clearly as I can, the facts of the case. I saw Mr. Jacobs on the Royal Exchange; I had seen him speak to persons I had been conversing with myself; he was always represented as a dealer in shares, and I said, without knowing his name, I had a great many shares in the Westminster Bridge Railway, and the parties had made applications to me to sign the deed, and I had a very great objection to sign the deed, and if he knew any persons on 'Change, that either had shares in the concern, or were willing to sign it for a small amount, I should feel obliged if he would get it done for me. He said, "I will get it done for you directly; when do you wish them to do it?" I said, "It is important it should be done as quickly as possible." He said, "I will send some parties down;" he said, "You must give them something for their expenses; they will expect something, for some little dinner, or anything of that sort." I said, "I had no objection to do that; I would rather pay something than run any risk in signing the deed; and I told him if he would send them down on the following morning, I would be at the office in Bucklersbury, and a person was to bring the deeds. He asked me to give him my direction, and I gave him my direction.

8421. Mr. *Thornely.*] What office was it?—24, Bucklersbury.

8422. Whose is it?—Mr. Turner's.

8423. Who is he?—He is a surveyor, and often in the north of England.

8424. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Did you ever pay with your own hands any gratuity to any individual to induce him to sign the subscription list?—I never paid till after the list was signed: when they came to sign, I was in the office, and some few persons that came down to sign it, said they came from him; and I said, "I am very much obliged to you and to Mr. Jacobs," and I did give them half a sovereign.

8425. After they had signed did you follow them out of the room?—One man had gone away, and never asked me for anything, and I followed him down stairs, and said, "You had better take this, and get yourself something to drink." He was a perfect stranger to me. Another went out at the door, and I stood with the door open in my hand, and I gave it to him there.

8426. Where

8426. Where was it you paid the 10 *s.*?—In the office at 24, Bucklersbury.

8427. In what part of the house?—The office in the front room upon the first floor; one or two went out of the door in a hurry; one man, I know, went down stairs, and he would have gone away without anything, but I certainly did go after him, and followed him into the passage, nearly to the bottom of the stairs, and I said, "You had better get something to drink."

8428. Did you pay some of them in the office where the deed was signed?—Yes.

8429. Who was present at the time besides the parties signing?—I believe some 8 or 10 of them; they came in nearly altogether.

8430. Who was present in the office besides the party who signed?—The person that signed his name to the Parliamentary deed, the clerk; but I did not tell him I had given them this money; I did not tell him, because I was fearful rather he should see it; I thought he might blame me for giving the money.

8431. Did you give any money to any persons in that person's presence?—No, he never saw me pay any money; I gave it to the man as he went out of the room; I thought it would not be prudent he should see it, or he might think I should sign myself instead of asking others; and he pressed me very much, after Mr. Price had pressed me so much.

8432. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Can you specify the name of any individual to whom you paid a gratuity?—They are strangers to me; I really could not; I do not know the names of any of them.

8433. *Chairman.*] Did you not know, by their signing the deed, it was they, and not you, who had a right to claim the shares?—I did not know that; I had my doubts, perhaps, afterwards upon the subject; and I considered it over, whether they would or not, in consequence of a conversation with a gentleman I knew, who had put his name down for some shares, and they wrote word they would let him have some shares.

8434. Who wrote word?—It is several years ago he was telling the circumstance to me; he was a gentleman over from France; he wrote for some shares, and never paid the deposit upon them at all; but he wrote for them, and the parties appropriated the shares to him; he said he afterwards wrote back, saying, he should not have them; and they afterwards wrote him to say the shares had got to a premium of 1 *l.*; and he then authorized them to sell the shares for him, but he would not take them; but when they sold the shares for him, they handed over 40 *l.* to him.

8435. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did any of the subscribers to this deed pay, besides yourself?—No, not any one

8436. Do you know a person of the name of Gore?—Not by name; I might know him if I saw him.

8437. You do not know that he paid any person?—I can say I never authorized any person to pay; it was merely for me that this was signed, and I do not think any person would go and pay for me.

8438. *Chairman.*] The deposits of shares you paid upon altogether amounted to 2,000 *l.*?—Yes.

8439. Did you not consider, in getting other parties to sign for those shares upon which you had paid 2,000 *l.*, that you were parting with your property, and giving them a claim to call for those shares without having any equivalent?—I considered if I did not get this deed signed, the Bill would not go into Parliament, and if they should lose their Bill in consequence, I should be placed in a very unpleasant situation; I did it in my own defence. Mr. Price said, "The deed is pretty full," and I think he said, "There are as many names as the Act requires; but to prevent any difficulty about it, I must have a few of your shares put down;" and I thought it would be a hard thing to throw the Bill over by those means, and lock up the money for 12 months.

8440. How were you to obtain those shares, inasmuch as they stood on the company's contract deed not in your name, but in the names of the parties who signed?—I will just explain. Those shares I had in my possession I considered them my property.

8441. What do you mean by shares; you say you had no scrip?—It was the usual sort of shares I had in my possession.

8442. What had you in your possession?—The shares.

8443. What do you mean by shares; what document had you to show that?—They were all folded up in a paper.

 8444. What

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8444. What was folded up?—The shares, the paper; it was the usual sort of shares.

8445. Have you the scrip certificate?—I know very little about shares; but I considered I had the shares.

8446. Cannot you describe what you possessed?—I can show you one of them.

8447. Have you got one of them?—Yes.

[*The Witness handed in a paper, which was inspected by the Committee.*]

8448. Before the day on which you met these parties in Bucklersbury, were you in possession of certificates, of the form which you have now handed in to the chair, to the full extent of the 1,000 shares which you said you held?—I had nearly the whole of them; some few of them were sent to me afterwards, at least; I think it was to make up a certain number, the number that Mr. Price and me had arranged upon; it was very few: I had the great bulk of them.

8449. Were not you aware, in allowing other parties to sign the contract deed for shares, you had assigned away your right of claiming the shares without any equivalent?—I considered the Parliamentary deed was to show that the amount of money for the subscriptions was paid up; and I thought afterwards there would be a registry of all the proprietors in this company after they got their Bill, and that each party who registered would be a proprietor in the company; but I thought, till the Act was got, and the shares were registered, it did not become any of the persons, till they were registered as members, to sell them in the market. I did not consider that the parties taking these shares would be bound to keep them; they are handed over to 50 or 100 persons.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *John Hill Powell*, again called in; and Examined as follows.

Mr. *J. H. Powell.*

8450. *Committee.*] THE parties sign the deed of settlement as well as the Parliamentary contract?—Yes, they do.

8451. Are the names of the parties who sign the deed of settlement and the Parliamentary contract *fac-similes* of each other?—They are; they sign them both together.

8452. And the names that are signed to this Parliamentary contract correspond exactly to those of the parties who have signed the deed of settlement?—They do.

8453. Are the parties who have signed these instruments the parties entitled to call upon the company, if they have paid the deposits for the amount of shares for which their names appear upon these two deeds?—Do you mean when the Act is passed?

8454. Before or afterwards?—When the Act is passed, the parties bringing scrip are entitled to register, whether they are the original parties or not.

8455. Do you mean to say, that parties who have signed their names to these two deeds, if they have paid deposits, are not entitled to call upon the company to give them shares to the amount of their signatures?—Not if they part with their scrip.

8456. Is it not assumed, in your answer, that the parties who sign the deed are, at the time of their signing, in possession of the scrip?—No, the scrip is not usually delivered, and, I believe, in no case has been delivered till after the signature of the parties.

8457. How does it happen that the present witness, Mr. Gibbs, was in possession of certificates, as he states, without having previously signed either the Parliamentary contract or the deed of settlement?—I think Mr. Gibbs must be mistaken there; I can only presume, because I was out of town at the time of the transaction; I should presume it was a sort of simultaneous transaction, that the scrip was given out at the time it was supposed he was about to sign; but I can only assume that.

8458. Mr. *Green.*] Is that usual?—Yes, very customary.

Mr. *William Gibbs*, again called in; and Examined as follows:

Mr. *William Gibbs.*

8459. *Chairman.*] Where was it you were put in possession of these certificates?—In Bucklersbury.

8460. Who handed them to you?—A great part of them were by Mr. Price; part of them by one of the company's servants.

8461. Who

8461. Who was that?—I really do not know; I know very little of the company; I know nothing of the company; my transactions have always been with Mr. Price, the greater part of them.

8462. Were you put in possession of these scrip certificates by Mr. Price on the day on which you met the parties who came to sign the deed?—I had got a good many before.

8463. How long before that?—I had a good many in my possession six weeks or two months before.

8464. Do you mean to say you paid the money upon those shares six weeks or two months before?—Yes, a great deal of it I had.

8465. Had you signed the deed containing them?—No, I never signed any deed; I never put my hand to a paper.

8466. Had any person done so for you?—No; Mr. Price arranged it all for me; I had had nothing to do with it but through Mr. Price.

8467. Mr. *Green.*] Who introduced you to Mr. Jacobs?—No person; I was merely in the habit of seeing him when I had been speaking to Mr. Thornton, a friend of mine; I had seen him speak to Mr. Thornton.

8468. Is the Committee to understand that you go to Mr. Jacobs, with the casual connexion that exists between you and him, and ask him to get parties to sign the deed for you?—Yes; I never spoke to him but in the presence of Mr. Thornton; he has come up and spoke to Mr. Thornton, and I have spoken to him then.

8469. Is Mr. Thornton connected with this company?—I am not aware of any connexion with it; he has told me he has no shares in it.

8470. Did you give Mr. Jacobs any money to pay these parties?—No, certainly not.

8471. Did you give any other parties money for that purpose?—No, certainly not.

8472. Do you know William Robinson Chamberlain?—I might know him by sight; I do not know him by name.

8473. Did you give him a card authorizing him to send persons to Bucklersbury?—No, I gave him no cards; I spoke to the tall person I have mentioned.

8474. Do you know Mr. Hoppe, the solicitor of the company?—Yes.

8475. Have you in your possession any letter from Mr. Hoppe relating to the signing of the deed of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I really do not know; it is possible I might; I may have it in my possession: he did write to me on that morning, stating that he wished it done, and sent it by one of the clerks.

8476. Can you state which of the clerks it was?—It was that gentleman [*pointing to Mr. Pain*].

8477. Have you any recollection of any part of the letter?—It was merely introducing that gentleman; it was not more than a line or a line and a half: "The bearer waits upon you for your instructions, or directions," or something to that effect.

8478. He did not say that the party attended you with the deed and the money to pay the parties to sign it?—No.

8479. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did you say he attended you with the deed?—Yes; I think it was, "The bearer waits upon you with the deed for your instruction" or attendance.

8480. Mr. *Green.*] State the conversation that ensued previously to Mr. Hoppe sending you this letter relative to the deed of settlement of this company?—I never had any conversation with Mr. Hoppe upon the subject.

8481. Do you mean the Committee to understand that Mr. Hoppe would send you this letter without any previous conversation?—Yes, certainly; I had seen Mr. Price before, but Mr. Hoppe knew nothing of me, except being a shareholder, or very little. Mr. Price said he would see Mr. Hoppe, and send a person the next morning, and that person waited upon me.

8482. Did you ever attend at the office of the company?—No.

8483. Did you ever attend at the office of Mr. Hoppe?—No, certainly not; I might call at the office of the company and say, "How is your bill getting on?"

8484. Did you do that in consequence of the large interest you had in the company?—Yes.

8485. What did they state to you at those interviews?—I cannot say, except that the thing was proceeding.

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8486. Did they say they should require your assistance to procure parties to sign the deed, and to enable them to comply with the Standing Orders?—No, certainly not; I never had a word of conversation with anybody belonging to the company but Mr. Price; in fact, if they had called upon me, I do not think I should have communicated with them upon the subject.

8487. Who stated to you that if the deed was not signed, they would not be in a situation to get the Bill passed?—Mr. Price.

8488. Have you, in company with Mr. Price, had any conversation with the officers of this company?—I have seen Mr. Price once or twice since the deed was lodged; but on no occasion do I recollect saying one word to him upon the subject.

8489. Have you seen Mr. Price since the petition was presented to the House of Commons, complaining of the fraudulent manner of obtaining the signatures to this deed?—I may have seen him, but not to have any conversation with him upon the subject.

8490. Will you undertake to state that the first time you met him, after the subject was mentioned in the newspapers, it was not expressly upon what had transpired upon the subject of the deed?—Certainly not; I never made any practice of meeting with him.

8491. Do you know a person of the name of Pain?—I believe that gentleman's name is Pain [*pointing to Mr. Pain*].

8492. You were in company with him some considerable time at the office in Bucklersbury?—No, he was not there long; I had not any conversation with him; not a dozen words.

8493. How long did it take to get these parties to sign the deed?—It was all done in a quarter of an hour or 20 minutes.

8494. Were the whole of these names attached upon the deed in one day or two?—To the best of my recollection, one or two persons called in the evening part, but they were not there many minutes; the others came the next morning at 11 o'clock; I think one or two called in in the afternoon after I had seen Mr. Jacobs; I think he sent one or two that afternoon, and the others he sent the next morning at 11 o'clock.

8495. Were you at the office at the time the parties came you spoke of last?—Yes.

8496. Did you pay them any money?—Yes.

8497. Did that occur the first day of the signing, or the second?—The first day.

8498. Did it take one day or two to obtain these signatures?—I think this took place about four o'clock, and I went away soon after four o'clock.

8499. Is the Committee to understand, at the time the deed was at the office in Bucklersbury, Mr. Pain was in the office?—Yes; I never had the deed in my possession at all.

8500. Did you ever instruct Mr. Garland to procure parties to sign a petition, that petition lying at the office, 24, Bucklersbury?—No; I will explain it to the Committee. I met Mr. Garland by mere accident, and I said, "Mr. Garland, I know your connexions will enable you to get me two or three persons to sign the deed; I have a very great objection to sign it; and if you will, I shall feel very much obliged, and I will give them something for their trouble."

8501. Mr. *Thornely.*] How many persons did Mr. Garland send in consequence of that?—Two or three persons.

8502. Mr. *Green.*] What induced you to object to sign the deed for your own property?—I had a great objection to signing deeds; I never have done it, and never will.

8503. Will you state why you object?—If I had taken these shares as an investment for myself, I should perhaps have had no objection to sign the deed; but as I bought them for friends, I could not conceive there was any liability, because if I took the shares and paid for them, there would be no responsibility. I might go and sell them to-morrow; but I had an objection to sign the deed for so large an amount for other parties.

8504. Having stated those other parties to whom the shares belonged, did you ever communicate to them the necessity for their signing?—No, there was no time for it; because the time the deed came to me was so short, it was to be lodged on the next day or the day but one following, and these parties lived 160 miles in the country; and if you were to take the deed down to the parties in the country,

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I am satisfied you could not prevail upon them to sign it by any consideration in the world. I know a concern which these parties are connected with; it is a concern for working some mines belonging to the Duke of Devonshire; and they have been asked to sign the deeds, and they will not sign them, and they are working and going on without signing the deeds; and they say they will not sign.

8505. Mr. *Thornely.*] Have these parties, for whom you say you are acting, paid you the deposits?—Mr. Cantrell is in the habit of sending iron up to London; he is a very large manufacturer, and sometimes he will write me an order to receive money from different parties, and I receive that money for him; he is a very rich man; and I generally once a year go down into the country, and settle our little matters.

8506. Have you received anything for the scrip you bought for him?—No; I have got accounts now in my possession upon which to receive money for him, and it is my neglect that I have not received it.

8507. What was the particular circumstance which led to this deed being taken to Bucklersbury rather than to the office of the company?—Mr. Price called upon me, and I requested him to send it to me. I thought it was handy for the parties to sign it. I could not go to the office of the company. I proposed they should send it to me, as I was partly responsible. I thought they might as well send it to me: there was no particular motive in it at all; I did not screen the thing in any way,

8508. Mr. *Green.*] Would it have been more inconvenient for yourself or the *bonâ fide* shareholders of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway, looking at the deeds and seeing their residences, to sign the deed in Sun-court, Cornhill, or the office of the company, instead of taking it to Bucklersbury?—Mr. Price asked me to get the deed done, and I asked him to send it to where I was stopping; it was where I happened to have something to do. I was engaged, and could not leave upon some little matters, which prevented my getting out.

8509. Are the Committee to understand that the office, 24, Bucklersbury, was your office?—No, but I would explain why I went to that office. My brother had used that office a considerable time, and he gave six months' notice to give it up; he was obliged to hold it in his hands; he was paying rent for it; he was very much engaged in the office where he was, and I could not have them there, and I could go to the next door, Mr. Turner's office.

8510. Is your brother an engineer?—Yes, he is; but he knew nothing at all about this matter till this morning; not a word did he know about it, or that I had anything to do with it: he knew I had bought some few shares for friends; I can pledge my word to that; and he was very sorry that my name should be brought up.

8511. The office belonging to your brother is No. 25, Bucklersbury?—Yes.

8512. The office this deed was signed at was No. 24?—Yes.

8513. Are you not in the office of your brother?—Yes, occasionally I am.

8514. Are you not there more than at any other place?—I am more there than anywhere else: I generally assist my brother if he wishes me to go into the country for him.

8515. Was there any money paid for this office in Bucklersbury for the time you stopped there?—The time was not up; we paid 50*l.* a year for it, and we had to pay it six months afterwards.

8516. Mr. *Thornely.*] There was no money paid for its use in this particular transaction?—No; my brother paid rent for it till somebody took it off his hands.

8517. Have you the scrip which you are entitled to for the amount of money paid?—No, I have not the scrip; I was going down to consult with my friends upon the subject.

8518. How long have you had the shares you have got in your bag?—A considerable time.

8519. How many shares have you had in the last three days given to you by the company?—I have never had any communication with the officers of the company, although I heard of this matter; I never went near the office till last night or this morning, when I met one of them by chance; and yesterday, as I went up Whitehall in a cab, I saw Mr. Hoppe and another gentleman coming down, but I would not speak to them.

 8520. Did

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8520. Did you receive the scrip you are now in possession of from Mr. Price?—The great part of it.

8521. Have you paid him any money for it?—Mr. Price and I have had many transactions in various ways.

8522. Have you directly paid Mr. Price for the scrip?—Yes, I have.

8523. Do you know a person of the name of Allen, a director of this company?—I do not.

8524. Do you know any directors of this company?—I never had any communication with them, and should not know any one of them; they are perfect strangers to me.

8525. Do you know a person of the name of Andrews?—Yes, I do.

8526. Will you be kind enough to mention his christian name?—James Andrews.

8527. Do you know any one else of the name of Andrews?—I know the son.

8528. Will you mention his christian name?—George, he is usually called; in fact, some of the shares have been promised to him.

8529. Mr. Andrews, I believe, is a relation of yours?—Yes, he is.

8530. Can you state to the Committee what is the age of George Andrews?—I really do not know; he is about 21.

8531. Will you undertake to say he is 20 years of age?—No; I should say from 20 to 21.

8532. Mr. *Thornely.*] Do you believe him to be a minor, under 21 years of age?—No; I really do not know; he is from 20 to 22.

8533. Mr. *Green.*] You have stated that Mr. Price gave you a guarantee?—No; when I say a guarantee, that guarantee would be, that he stated I should certainly not lose anything by exerting myself to promote the interests of the company.

8534. Are the Committee to understand that Mr. Price stated to you that promoting the interests of this company was to get the deeds signed, and you were to be paid a large sum of money for it?—No, certainly not; I should wish the Committee clearly to understand that I have neither taken money direct or indirect for any transactions I have had with Mr. Price; certainly not.

8535. Are you aware, from the number of companies you have been connected with?—I have never been connected with any other company, never in my life.

8536. Have you not held a great number of shares in other companies?—Never.

8537. Do you expect to receive any money from Mr. Price, in case the shares of this company remain at a discount?—I do not expect to receive money, but I conceive, if I want assistance, I think he will promote my interest as much as he can.

8538. Mr. *Thornely.*] Was it at the suggestion of Mr. Price you procured these persons to sign the deed at 24, Bucklersbury, and paid them 10*s.* apiece?—Mr. Price wished me to get the deed signed, but whether I was to give them a penny or a sovereign, he knew nothing about it. I never had any conversation upon anything of the kind with Mr. Price; we never entered into any conversation about giving any person money. I certainly did not give it them as wrong, but I did give it them.

8539. You have stated that these shares have been at a discount; can you tell us what the price of the shares now is in the market?—I really do not know.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8540. I believe Mr. Cantrell is a person of considerable property?—He is a very rich man.

8541. Mr. *Green.*] Mr. Cantrell has not signed the deed?—No.

8542. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did any persons connected with the company ever tell you they were deficient in the amount of subscriptions necessary for the Standing Orders, or did any person tell you there was a surplus of 6,000*l.*, or did you ever hear anything about it?—I know very little about it.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *James Gardiner,* called in; and Examined.

Mr. *J. Gardiner.*

8543. Mr. *Thornely.*] WHAT is your trade or profession?—A Scotch factor.

8544. Where do you live?—In Prospect-place, Cambridge Heath, Hackney-road.

8545. Will

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8545. Will you look at this signature [*handing the deed to the Witness*], and, if you please, read as much as is in your own handwriting?—"James Gardiner, Prospect-place, Cambridge Heath, gentleman, 50." That is all my writing.

8546. Is there any deposit; is the 100*l.* deposit in your writing?—That is not my writing.

8547. Did you pay any deposit?—No.

8548. Where did you sign it?—In Bucklersbury.

8549. The attesting witness is Mr. Payne; did he witness it?—There were two gentlemen in the room when I signed it; I do not know who attested it. I do not know that I should know the gentleman again.

8550. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] Did anybody attest it in your presence?—I do not know; I thought it was a mere matter of course; I paid no attention to it.

8551. Did you deliver it as your act and deed?—Yes, I did.

8552. Mr. *Green.*] What induced you to go to that office?—Mr. Gibbs asked me to go there and sign the deed. He said they wished very much to have a full deed. I went and signed the deed, and he said, "You shall have 50 shares if you wish a good thing." I said, "What concern is it? I do not know the concern exactly." He said, "Believe me it is a good concern, and you shall have 50 shares if you sign this deed." I said, "You take care that it is a good concern, for I am not up to the knowledge of it." He said it was, and that all of his friends knew it to be so.

8553. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did he hold out any other inducement for you to sign it?—No.

8554. Mr. *Green.*] You signed the deed?—Yes.

8555. Did he give you the 50 shares?—Yes.

8556. Where are they?—I cannot say; he gave them to me; he laid them aside for me; they are not in my possession.

8557. How do you know he has laid them aside?—He told me so.

8558. Do you expect to pay the money for them?—Yes, if it is a good concern.

8559. Are you in a condition to pay the money?—Yes.

8560. Are you in a condition to pay 100*l.*?—Yes, I think I am.

8561. Are you in a condition to take those 50 shares?—Yes, in a few days I shall be, perhaps; I am not now.

8562. Are you in a condition to take those shares if they are worth 10*s.* less than they were?—I should take them at par.

8563. Will you take them at the price they are at in the market?—I do not know the price they are at in the market.

8564. Have you known Mr. Gibbs long?—Yes, several years.

8565. When you went to sign the deed, were you asked to sign for any certain number of shares?—It was several days before I went, that I met with Mr. Gibbs, who told me if I should go there I should sign for 50 shares, and that he would take care to provide them for me.

8566. Did you authorize any person at the office, 24, Bucklersbury, to put on the deed 100*l.*, signifying that the deposit of 100*l.* had been paid?—No.

8567. Has the deposit of 100*l.* been paid by you?—No, it has not.

8568. Would you have signed the deed for 50 shares if you had been compelled to pay the deposit at the time?—No, I would not.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8569. Have you ever had any communication with the directors or officers of the company upon the subject of these shares?—No.

8570. Do you know anything of them?—No.

8571. Having full confidence in Mr. Gibbs, you signed and would again sign for him?—Yes, I would.

8572. Mr. *Thornely.*] Did you receive any money for signing that deed?—No, none.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *George Andrews*, called in; and Examined.

Mr. *G. Andrews.*

8573. Mr. *Green.*] HAVE you any other christian name besides George?—Yes, Henry.

8574. Did you sign the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway deed?—I did.

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8575. For how many shares?—I think it was for 10 shares; I am not positive.

8576. Be kind enough to look at that deed [*showing it to the Witness*], and say if you there appear signing for 10 shares?—No, it is not.

8577. Is that your name and handwriting on the deed?—Yes, it is.

8578. How many shares do you appear to have signed for there?—Seventy.

8579. *Chairman.*] At the time you wrote your name there, was the blank containing the number of shares filled in?—No, it was not; I filled it in myself.

8580. Did you write that "70, 3,500 *l.* and 140 *l.* deposit," yourself?—Yes.

8581. Mind how you answer, and look at the deed?—I believe these to be my figures.

8582. Did you pay the deposit of 140 *l.*?—No, I did not.

8583. What is your age?—I am turned 20.

8584. Are you 21?—No, I am not.

8585. Mr. *Green.*] Where did you sign that deed?—At Bucklersbury.

8586. What induced you to go there and sign it?—I was desired to sign it by Mr. Gibbs.

8587. Is Mr. Gibbs a relation of yours?—Yes, he is.

8588. You stated you signed the deed for 10; you appear to have signed it for 70?—I said I thought so; I did not recollect.

8589. As there is such a large difference, perhaps you will state how you fell into the mistake?—I signed for the shares that Mr. Gibbs desired me to sign for; I did not pay any money at all at the time, and made no memorandum of it.

8590. Did you receive any money for doing it?—No.

8591. What inducement d d Mr. Gibbs hold out to you?—That they should be my property when I should be able to pay for them.

8592. Did he state when hat would be —No.

8593. Did he know you were under age?—That I do not know.

8594. *Chairman.*] How nearly is he related to you?—He is my uncle.

8595. Is he in the habit of visiting your family?—Occasionally.

8596. Is there such an intimacy between the two families that he must have been aware you were not of age?—I cannot tell whether he must have been aware of it.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8597. Had you ever any communication with any other person besides Mr. Gibbs before signing the deed?—No.

8598. Had you any communication with any officers of the company?—No; I knew none of them, except Mr. Price; I have seen him.

8599. You signed for Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

8600. In full confidence he would not ask you to do anything wrong?—Yes, in full confidence in him.

8601. You, too, reside at Kennington?—Yes, I do.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *James Andrews*, called in; and Examined as follows:

Mr. J. Andrews.

8602. Mr. *Green.*] YOU are the father of the last witness?—Yes.

8603. Have you signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company's deed?—I have.

8604. For how many shares?—I do not recollect at the moment, till I see the deed.

8605. Where do you reside?—At Kennington.

8606. At any particular place at Kennington?—At the Oval at Kennington.

8607. What are you by business?—I am not in any business at present.

8608. *Chairman.*] Do you consider the shares your property?—No; I did it for my wife's relations in the country.

8609. Do you consider the shares your property?—No, I do not.

8610. For whom may you have signed?—I signed it for the various parties in the country.

8611. Who are they?—The names you have down, my wife's relations, the Cantrells; they are people of property.

8612. You have signed on behalf of the parties that Mr. Gibbs mentioned?—Yes.

8613. You heard him mention the names?—Yes.

8614. Did

8614. Did Mr. or Miss Cantrell give you any instructions as to any particular number of shares you were to procure?—No; I was guided entirely by Mr. Gibbs.

8615. Have you communicated to Mr. Cantrell, or Mr. Daniel Cantrell, or Miss Cantrell the number of shares you have set apart for them?—No, I have not.

8616–17. Mr. *Green.*] Do you know the number of shares you have signed the deed for?—No, I do not exactly recollect; it was some time ago; I took no memorandum of it at that time.

8618. If you were to sign a deed where property of some value, as it appears upon that deed, was to be paid, would you sign it without making a memorandum?—I did not make any memorandum.

8619. From the circumstance that you knew you had no right or property in the transaction?—I left it to the person that introduced me to it; I took no memorandum at the time, and I forget the number.

8620. *Chairman.*] Did you write the number of shares, the money, the amount of them, and the deposit at the time you signed?—The figures, I presume you mean.

8621. Yes?—I think I did; I can tell my figures.

8622. Look at your signature, [*handing the deed to the Witness,*] and read so much of it as you wrote yourself?—" James Andrews, Kennington, 50;" that is my figures.

8623. And the 2,500 *l.*, is that yours?—No, that is too firm.

8624. The 100 *l.* deposit, is that your figures?—No.

8625. Did you pay the deposit?—No, I did not.

8626. Where did you sign this?—At Bucklersbury.

8627. Who was present at the time?—There were two or three people, but strangers to me.

8628. Did you see the witness to your signature sign his name?—No, I do not recollect that he witnessed it while I was present.

8629. Are you the father of the last witness?—Yes.

8630. He is a minor?—Yes.

8631. Are you aware he signed?—Yes, I went with him.

8632. You knew he was a minor at the time?—Yes, I did not give it any consideration; I was not asked the question.

8633. Did you receive any consideration for signing?—As I was coming down stairs a person paid my expenses, me and my son.

8634. How much?—Half a sovereign.

8635. Did you get any expenses for your son?—No, that was for both; it was given to me as I was coming out of the house.

8636. Who gave it you?—Mr. Gibbs gave it me.

8637. Where did he give it you?—Coming down the stairs he overtook me; he said, " There is your expenses."

8638. How nearly is he related to you?—Brother-in-law.

8639. Is he in the habit of visiting your family?—Yes, we are neighbours, and some part of the family we see and hear of every day.

8640. Mr. *Green.*] Did you authorize anybody to put that 100 *l.* against your signature as paid?—No.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8641. Who asked you to come to town to sign the deed that day?—Mr. Gibbs asked me.

8642. You and your son came by coach?—Yes, I believe we did.

8643. And went back possibly by coach?—Yes, I suppose so.

8644. And did not ride there for nothing?—No.

8645. Having come upon Mr. Gibbs's business, you did not think it extraordinary he should pay your expenses?—No, I do not know whether I did not dine in town that day.

8646. Have you ever communicated with any of the directors or officers of the company relative to that deed?—No, they are perfect strangers to me.

8647. Just look at that deed and tell me whether, seeing you sign for 50 shares here, and 100 *l.* are put there, should you take that to mean that you had paid 100 *l.*,

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100*l.*, or that the deposit amounted to that?—I do not know what it was particularly.

[*The column appeared to be headed "Deposits paid."*]

8648. *Chairman.*] Was that 2,500*l.* written at the time you signed it?—I think it was, by the appearance of the ink; I think it was; I do not recollect seeing it wrote in my presence; I think it was filled up before, but I cannot answer it.

8649. Mr. *Green.*] Were not the figures on the deed previous to your signing your name?—I think they were.

8650. *Chairman.*] Did you look at the head of that column, and see if it was headed "Deposits paid?"—No, I did not; there was a person there who told us what to do.

8651. Mr. *Green.*] Are you not in the habit of coming to town every day?—No.

8652. Do you not often come?—No, very seldom.

8653. Should you have come to town on that day but for that deed?—I came on purpose to sign it.

[The Witness withdrew.

Two cheques were produced by Mr. Coppock, one dated the 30th April 1836, upon Messrs. Esdailes & Co., signed by John Shewell: "Pay the Westminster and Deptford Railway Company, or bearer, 400*l.*"

The second cheque was read, dated the same day, on the same bankers, signed by the same party: "Pay the Westminster and Deptford Railway Company, or bearer, 50*l.*"

Mr. *Coppock* admitted that Mr. Garland, at the instance of Mr. Gibbs, did induce Mr. Simpson, Mr. Penny and Mr. Phillips to sign the Parliamentary deed of the Westminster and Deptford Railway Company.

Richard Spencer, called in; and Examined, as follows:

Richard Spencer.

8654. *Chairman.*] DID you serve the summons of the Chairman of this Committee upon Joseph Kendall?—I served it at Mr. Robson's office, where he is in the habit of going every day.

8655. Mr. *Green.*] Have you attempted to find out the residence of Kendall at some number in East-street, St. George's-road?—I have.

8656. Have you served him?—Not personally.

8657. Have you served Crocker?—I did not.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *John Davis Pain*, called in; and Examined, as follows:

Mr. *J. D. Pain.*

8658. *Chairman.*] ARE you the architect of the company?—I am.

8659. Did you sign the estimate lodged in the Private Bill Office?—Jointly with Mr. Price.

8660. Is it a detailed estimate?—No, it is not, it is from a detailed estimate; it is the total.

8661. Is it the result of a detailed estimate?—Yes.

8662. In what manner was that detailed estimate formed?—First, by going over the whole of the property that will be required to be pulled down for the purpose of the railway; valuing that property, and adding that amount to the value of the quantities of materials which would be used in the construction of the railway, with locomotive engines, rails and every other necessary.

8663. What was the amount of the purchases required?—£.265,000.

8664. That was the result of a detailed examination of the site over which the railway was to pass?—Every house.

8665. Did you or did Mr. Price go over the detailed estimate of the cost of the railway itself?—Both.

8666. What did the estimate of the engineering department amount to?—I cannot give you the details from memory.

8667. What was the sum total of it?—The total amount is 665,000*l.*

8668. Was the difference between 665,000*l.* and the cost of the purchases the cost of the engineering department?—Certainly; that was the construction of the railway.

8669. It was not an off-hand estimate, but the result of a detailed estimate?—A most minutely detailed estimate indeed.

8670. Mr.

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8670. Mr. *Green.*] When was it that this estimate was made?—The estimate was completed the end of January last.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Henry Hoppe*, called in; and Examined, as follows:

Mr. *Henry Hoppe.*

8671. *Chairman.*] YOU are a solicitor?—I am.

8672. Where is your place of business?—No. 3, Sun-court, Cornhill.

8673. You are solicitor to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I am.

8674. When were you appointed such, and by whom?—I was appointed by the directors at their first meeting, which took place in April 1836, I think.

8675. Did you instruct Mr. Pain, one of your clerks, to attend in Bucklersbury for the purpose of meeting Mr. Gibbs?—I did.

8676. What were the instructions you gave to him?—I simply wrote a short letter; I did not say anything to him, beyond giving him the deeds and the letter.

8677. What were the instructions you gave to him?—I simply told him to go with that deed and letter to Mr. Gibbs, in Bucklersbury.

8678. And to do as Mr. Gibbs desired?—Yes.

8679. What was it led you to give those instructions to Mr. Pain?—In consequence of a message from Mr. Gibbs, through Mr. Price.

8680. What was the nature of that message?—It was this, as far as I can recollect, that Mr. Gibbs had disposed of a certain number of shares, and he was now anxious to get the deed completed and signed up.

8681. Had you seen Mr. Gibbs or Mr. Price upon the subject?—I saw Mr. Gibbs himself the next morning, though he does not recollect it.

8682. Where?—On the day I wrote the letter.

8683. What was the result?—I was with him for two minutes; I wanted to know whether he was going to sign the deed or his friends in the country; he said he was going to get it immediately signed, and if I would send it down by the clerk it should be attended to in the course of the day.

8684. What did you know of Mr. Gibbs and his connexion with the company, or as being a holder of shares, previously to this conversation with him?—I knew nothing of Mr. Gibbs; I knew his brother.

8685. What led you to have this conversation with him?—In consequence of a message from Mr. Price, telling me to take the deeds down to him.

8686. What was the communication from Mr. Gibbs?—That Mr. Gibbs had disposed of or taken a great many shares, and wished, for his convenience, that the deed might be sent to him.

8687. Had you any communication with any other officer or director of the company on the subject of those shares that you presumed were held by Mr. Gibbs, exclusive of Mr. Price?—No.

8688. Then it is entirely in consequence of the instructions you received from Mr. Price, that you directed Mr. Pain to proceed to meet Mr. Gibbs?—Decidedly so.

8689. Had you any other authority at that time for believing that Mr. Gibbs was the holder of shares in the company, besides the information you derived from Mr. Price?—No; but there had been instructions given to each officer to use every exertion in placing the shares, and I presume Mr. Price among the rest.

8690. What instructions are you referring to?—I believe the minutes will speak best for themselves.

8691. The minutes of the company?—Yes.

8692. Were you aware of this minute at the time when you had this conversation with Mr. Price?—Yes; it was made some time in January or December.

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8693. Have you any property on the line of road?—No, none.

8694. Did the directors apply to you to become the solicitor of the company?—No; I applied to the directors to join them.

8695. Was it by letter?—No.

8696. Was it a verbal communication between you and the parties throughout?—Yes.

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8697. Will you state the parties you saw on the subject?—I saw Mr. Ralph Fenwick; I will give you the whole of the directors.

The *Chairman* stated that it was not important to go into this inquiry.

8698. Were you personally known to all the directors before your appointment?—No, not at all.

8699. Do you know a person of the name of Brown?—I do, well.

8700. What is he by profession?—A stockbroker, and a highly respectable man.

Mr. *Green* was directed to confine his examination, in the first instance, to the shares about which the Committee was inquiring.

8701. Did you authorize Mr. Pain to take the deed belonging to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Company to the office, 24, Bucklersbury?—I have already answered I did.

8702. Is Mr. Pain your clerk?—He is.

8703. Did he take anything with him in writing from you, except the subscribers' deed and the Parliamentary contract?—Yes, he took a letter.

8704. Will you produce a copy of it?—I have not a copy of it; I will tell you what it is.

8705. Is it usual for you, in writing letters, to keep copies of the letters?—Yes, it is certainly usual.

8706. Is it not a very uncommon thing not to take copies?—No; you may not have time, or it may not be of consequence.

8707. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Gibbs relative to the company's transactions?—I saw Mr. Gibbs with Mr. Coppock.

8708. What conversation took place?—It was for the purpose of Mr. Coppock seeing him.

8709. For what?—You had better ask Mr. Coppock, he saw him.

The following minute was read by Mr. *Coppock*, from the minute-books of the company, dated 31 January 1837:

"Directors present: J. F. Saunders, esq., in the chair, William Cash, esq., Joseph Thomson, esq., Captain William Thomson, (but this is by mistake, it ought to be Ewbank, the name of Thomson having occurred just before,) Captain Joseph Dudman, C. H. Ashley, esq.: Resolved, 'That every exertion be made to place the reserved of shares on the line, or elsewhere, without delay.'"

8710. *Chairman*, to Mr. *Powell.*] Is that the only minute from the 21st January to the present time, that relates to the exertions to be made by the officers of the company, to obtain signatures for shares?—Yes, it is the only one.

8711. Mr. *Green*, to Mr. *Hoppe.*] Had you any conversation with Mr. Gibbs previously to your writing the letter to him, accompanying the deed of settlement?—I have told you I had.

8712. Was it in company with Mr. Price?—No.

8713. Was it in company with any other person, an officer of the company—No.

8714. Did Mr. Gibbs, or any one else to your knowledge, receive any money by cheque, or otherwise, to procure the deed to be signed?—Certainly not.

8715. If any money has been paid to parties for signing this deed, it has not been with your consent?—No; nor knowledge, nor privity, till after the petition was presented.

8716. Nor with the knowledge or privity of the directors or any other officer of the company?—Certainly not.

8717. Do you know the person of William Robinson Chamberlain?—I never knew him till I read his name in your petition; and then I sent for him to make inquiries, as I thought it my duty to do.

8718. Have you made any inquiry about him?—I have not.

8719. Has anybody else made inquiry?—I believe a clerk of mine has made inquiry as to him and everybody else.

8720. Do you know a person of the name of James Jacob?—No, I do not.

8721. Do you know a person of the name of Charles Edgeley Hoppe?—Yes, I do.

8722. Mr. *C. Lushington.*] When you gave the deed to Mr. Pain, for the purpose of it being signed by Mr. Gibbs, did you understand that the deed was to be signed

signed by Mr. Gibbs only?—I was not aware; my letter was this: "The bearer has the deeds, and waits your instructions;" I was not aware whether Mr. Gibbs or any other party would sign; it is a customary thing for other persons to sign.

8723. When Mr. Pain returned to the office with the deed, did you inspect it?—Yes, I did the following day.

8724. Did the circumstance of several other persons having signed the deed strike your observation?—Decidedly.

8725. Did you take any and, if so, what proceeding did you adopt in consequence?—I did not adopt any proceeding; I did not like the appearance of the deed, and I said so to Mr. Pain at the time; because the deed throughout is beautifully signed, and it is generally considered the pattern of a deed.

8726. Did you make any report to the directors in consequence?—No, I do not think I did.

8727. As the appearance of the deed was so remarkable, was not it your duty to call the attention of the directors to it?—I do not know; it might have been or not.

8728. Did you attach any importance to the remarkable signatures you observed?—No, certainly not.

8729. Mr. *Thornely.*] Were you in the habit of attending the meetings of the directors, as the solicitor of the company?—Frequently.

8730. Where was the subscription deed kept?—Now and then it was at the company's office, and now and then in mine.

8731. Where was it previously to its being sent to Bucklersbury?—I rather think it was in mine; it was about the time we were going to Parliament, and copies were being made to deposit.

8732. Had the directors any knowledge of Mr. Gibbs being interested to the amount of 1,000 shares?—As a company they are; but my office is not at the company's office, and I may not go there for a week; but Mr. Powell will answer that question better than me.

8733. *Chairman.*] The only person connected with the company or the directors, from whom you received any information of Mr. Gibbs being a shareholder, was Mr. Price?—Yes.

8734. You adhere to that?—Yes.

8735. Did you consider the information Mr. Price gave to you to have been of sufficient authority for you to have allowed Mr. Gibbs to have signed for that number of shares?—Yes, most unquestionably; if I could have placed 1,000 shares, I was at liberty to do so.

8736. When parties signed for shares, were you in the habit of allowing them to sign without having received previously any certificate or any information that they had paid the deposits upon the shares for which they signed?—I understood they were paid.

8737. From whom did you receive that information?—I think Mr. Powell told me that they were paid.

8738. Do you state distinctly that Mr. Powell told you that the deposits had been paid upon what you presume to be Mr. Gibbs's shares?—No, I do not think he had then told me so.

8739. When did he tell you?—About a month or six weeks ago.

8740. Did he, before you sent the deed to Bucklersbury to be signed, give you that information?—I do not think he did.

8741. Were you in the habit of allowing parties to sign the deed for shares without being previously informed that they had paid their deposits?—I might in this instance. My brother or a client might come into my office, and I might say, "Will you take so many shares?" "I will." "Have you got a cheque with you?" "No, I will send it; but let me sign the deed at once."

8742. Did any such transaction as that alluded to in the last answer take place in the case of Mr. Gibbs; did any client of yours call and use expressions to that effect respecting Mr. Gibbs?—No.

8743. Then in what degree is the last answer but one pertinent to the case of Mr. Gibbs's shares?—In this way: "Mr. Price tells me it is all right, and you will send over the deed."

8744. Was Mr. Price the individual from whom you were in the habit of receiving information whether the party applying to sign the deed or take shares had paid his deposit or not?—No, certainly not.

8745. Mr. *Lord.*] Did I understand you to say just now that when this deed went

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went away from your office, you understood that Mr. Gibbs was to sign only, or the other persons?—I thought it would be signed by other individuals, and I should have preferred that; I do not like to see large amounts.

8746. You did not say you thought it was to be signed by Mr. Gibbs only?—No.

8747. Then am I to understand you, you mean to disclose to the Committee, when the deed left your office for signature, you did not care a farthing who signed it, whether they were men of straw or men who could pay?—You are not so to understand it.

8748. Then you did care whether they were respectable persons or whether they were disreputable?—Yes.

8749. You took pains to inquire, after you saw those names, whether they were respectable or not?—No, I did not.

8750. You never made any inquiry?—Not till after the petition was presented.

8751. Was this a deed, a copy of which was to satisfy the House of Commons?—Yes.

8752. You were an officer of the company?—Yes.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8753. What was the state of the deed, with reference to the Standing Orders of the House of Commons, previously to going to Bucklersbury?—It was signed beyond the amount.

8754. Was there then, in your opinion, any necessity to obtain additional signatures?—Not till the report.

8755. When you say the deed was beautifully signed, will you say what you mean?—Most of the individuals were known to me as highly respectable individuals.

8756. From your experience in the city, have you ever seen a deed so respectably signed?—No, I have not, and that was the opinion of Mr. Grote when I waited upon him upon the subject.

8757. From your knowledge of the city of London, is it possible to procure a deed, generally, more respectably signed than that deed is, previously to its going to Bucklersbury?—No, certainly not.

8758. When the deed returned to you, and you did not like the appearance of it, had you any means of erasing those names, when once affixed?—No, certainly not.

8759. As a lawyer, you can state whether you had it in your power to alter it?—No, not without an Act of Parliament, or a general release among the parties.

8760. Therefore any inquiry by you or any of the officers of the company would have been time and money thrown away?—Decidedly.

8761. Mr. *Green.*] You have stated that, from your knowledge of the city of London, you never saw a deed more respectably signed; are you speaking of railway deeds?—I am speaking of deeds generally, and I have seen a great many.

8762. How many have you seen?—I do not know. I was brought up in a very large office, where we had a great many Bills before Parliament, Messrs. Sweet's.

8763. Do you know, generally, these parties by name who have signed this deed?—I know a great many of them by name; I know many by reputation, and some of them personally.

8764. Do you know Henry Collinson, 17, Bedford-place, Russell-square?—I believe he is a surgeon there, if I mistake not; he is a medical man.

8765. Do you know William Benson, of No. 6, Chandler's-place, Kent-road?—I do not know him.

8766. Do you know John Edward Stokes, Hackney Terrace, broker, to be a respectable man?—No, I do not.

8767. Do you know Peter De Viol, No. 10, Dalby-terrace?—I have heard of him for many years, and he was recommended very strongly.

8768. Do you know David Aguilar, No. 5, Wycombe-place?—No, I do not know Wycombe-place even.

8769. Do you know George W. Morrison, 56, Basinghall-street, to be a respectable person?—I mistook him for another person; I do not know who he is.

8770. Do you know Richard Blackmore, of Bonner Hall, to be a respectable man?—No, I do not know him.

8771. Do

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8771. Do you know Richard Macually, of No. 3, Walbrook?—No, I do not know him; all these shares were allotted under the direction of another gentleman.

8772. Do you know John Robert Ogden, 51, Paddington-street?—I do.

8773. Is he a respectable man?—He is; he was at school with my own brother at Dr. Burney's.

8774. You state that John Robert Ogden was a schoolfellow of yours?—Of my brother's.

8775. Will you undertake to say that he can pay 100*l.* from your knowledge of his respectability?—Yes, decidedly, for I happen to know something of his resources.

8776. Frederick Langley, No. 4, Taunton-place, Regent's-park?—I have heard of him as a very respectable man; I do not know him.

8777. Will you say he is a respectable man?—I cannot say anything about him unless I know him.

8778. Will you say he is not in insolvent circumstances?—I do not know his circumstances.

8779. Joseph Hernon, 39, Princes-road, Kennington?—I do not know him; I suppose he had shares allotted to him because he was on the line.

8780. Do you know a person of the name of Edmond Bolton, Mawbey-place, Lambeth?—No, I do not.

8781. Benjamin Pride, Honduras-park?—I have heard of him.

8782. Have you heard him to be a respectable man?—Sufficiently respectable to pay the amount; I believe he is not a very large shareholder.

8783. Do you know a person of the name of J. Ireland, 34, Robert-street, Bedford-row?—No.

8784. Do you know Samuel George Fox, No. 2, Blandford-street?—Yes, I know him.

8755. Should you say, from the knowledge you have him, that he is able to pay 80*l.*?—Yes, no doubt of it, and three or four times the amount.

8786. Do you know George A. Paine, of Hinde-street, Bloomsbury?—Yes, I do.

8787. From your knowledge of him, is he capable of paying 40*l.*?—I should say so, certainly.

8788. Have you any knowledge of him?—Yes, I saw him a week ago, and had a glass of wine with him at his brother's chambers.

8789. Be kind enough to state to the Committee where his residence is, that I may be able to serve him with a summons?—He is a clockmaker, and you can find him very easily.

8790. Do you know Charles Hoare, of No. 10, Egremont-place, New-road?—No, I do not.

8791. Do you know Francis Harvey, of Nottingham-street?—No, I do not.

8792. Do you know William Allanson, of Dalston, wine-merchant?—No.

8793. Do you know George Barnes, of High-street, Borough, broker?—No, I do not.

8794. *Chairman.*] What was the course of signature to the deed; were the parties required to sign the deed those parties accepted by the directors as holders of shares in consequence of their previous application, or were parties to whom those applicants had assigned their letters allowed to sign the deed?—If we could discover that any letters had been assigned, we refused to allow the party to sign; and there was one man told me last week that he had 400*l.* in his pocket to pay in upon bought letters, but I refused to let him sign.

8795. That ground was sufficient to induce you to refuse to let him sign?—Yes.

8796. How was it that the parties to whom Mr. Gibbs had assigned his shares were allowed to sign, and that you deviated from what you state to have been the practice?—I found we could not be quite so straight-laced as we were at first.

8797. Why?—Money was becoming scarce; and there was a difficulty in placing shares, and therefore Mr. Gibbs did not like to sign.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Joseph Garland,* called in; and Examined as follows:

Mr. *J. Garland.*

8798. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—Officer to the sheriffs of London.

8799. Where do you live?—St. George's-terrace, Camberwell.

8800. Had

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8800. Had you any communication with any party upon the subject of signing the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway deed?—None whatever till I received these tickets when passing through 'Change.

8801. State from whom you received any tickets, and what those tickets were?—I received four or five tickets from Mr. William Gibbs, who stated he wished the signatures of some persons to the deed.

8802. Had you previously seen Mr. Gibbs on the subject?—No, certainly not.

8803. The first conversation you had with Mr. Gibbs upon the subject was upon this occasion, when you met him upon 'Change?—Yes, it was, I was passing through 'Change.

8804. What was the nature of the ticket he gave you?—He stated that they required a few more signatures, and that there was no responsibility attached to the parties who signed it; that they wanted a few more names to make up the number; that he had the shares himself, and there would be no responsibility.

8805. What do you mean by 'they wanted'?—I understood him to say 'they,' though I did not know to whom he alluded; I was not with him two minutes altogether.

8806. Did he use the expression that 'they wanted,' or that 'he wanted'?—I think it was that 'he wanted,' if you will allow me to correct myself.

8807. Which was it, 'he' or 'they'?—I think it was 'he,' but I cannot positively state which it was.

8808. What did you do in consequence with those tickets?—I gave them to the parties you have had before you.

8809. Who was it?—Mr. Phillips, Mr. Simpson and Mr. Penny.

8810. What did you say to them?—I told them exactly what Mr. Gibbs had stated to me; that if they would call at Bucklersbury the following morning, they would have 10*s.* for their trouble in calling.

8811. Did you tell them that they would incur no responsibility by signing?—I was not aware of any responsibility, or I should not have sent them.

8812. Mr. Gibbs distinctly informed you that the parties signing would incur no responsibility?—Decidedly.

8813. And you were not aware, in sending them, that they would incur any?—No.

8814. Had you ever anything to do with signing for shares?—Never myself, nor any one on my behalf, but this single transaction.

8815. Were you well acquainted with Mr. Gibbs?—I have known him 15 or 20 years, and his family.

8816. It was upon the faith of his assurance, that you sent these parties?—Yes, or I should not have sent men like them, if they were to be responsible.

8817. What do you mean by men like them?—I do not believe they are men of property.

8818. Did you inform Mr. Gibbs of the description of men you would send?—I have not seen Mr. Gibbs since that time till I saw him in the room this morning.

8819. Did you inform him of the description of persons you would send to sign the deed?—No, I had not time; I was not with him two minutes.

8820. Did you lead those three parties, Phillips, Simpson and Penny, to expect that in consequence of signing the deed they would not only receive 10*s.* apiece, but become entitled to the shares for which they signed?—No, I did not. I considered their going there was a mere matter of course, of which I should never hear any more, and that they would receive a little gratuity for their loss of time.

8821. They are persons in moderate circumstances of life, and not able to pay any considerable sum, either in the way of instalment or deposit?—Not all of them.

8822. Which would be able?—Phillips would be able.

8823. Would Phillips be able to pay 50*l.* deposit without inconvenience?—Yes.

8824. Would he be able to pay 10*l.* per cent. instalments, 125*l.*, without inconvenience?—I do not know from his own resources. I know he has a brother in very excellent circumstances, who will assist him if he requires it.

8825. They were not aware that they were incurring any pecuniary responsibility at the time?—I should not have sent them, if I had thought that they had.

8826. Mr. *Green.*] At the time you sent Simpson, Penny and Phillips, did you

you mention to the three or either one of them that they were merely going to sign a petition to the House of Commons?—No; I told them there was a deed or paper to be signed, and I considered there was no responsibility attached to it, and they would be paid for their trouble. Mr. *J. Garland.* 25 April 1837.

8827. Did you, before they went there, indemnify them from any responsibility in signing?—I could not, because, as I told you before, I did not know that there was any responsibility.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8828. Have you any knowledge of any of the directors or officers of this company?—No, certainly not.

8829. Have you had any request from any of the officers of the company to sign the deed for them?—No, I have not.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr *Green* requested the Chairman to summon a person of the name of Rickards.

Mr. *Coppock* objected to Mr. Rickards being summoned, inasmuch as it had been arranged with respect to Mr. Poulton's petition, in consequence of certain admissions made by him (Mr. Coppock) that he should not be called.

Mr. *Frederick Hovatt Pain,* called in; and further Examined, as follows:

8830. Mr. *Forster.*] IT was 24, Bucklersbury, to which you went with the deed?—Yes, it was. Mr. *F. Hovatt Pain.*

8831. Are there not two numbers 24?—I am not aware that there is.

8832. Is that Mr. Cunliffe's office?—It was Mr. Turner's.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *William Hatchwell,* called in; and Examined, as follows:

8833. *Committee.*] WHAT is your name?—William Hatchwell. Mr. *W. Hatchwell.*

8834. What are you?—I keep a general shop.

8835. Where?—In Willow-street, Paul-street, Finsbury.

8836. Mr. *Green.*] You have endeavoured to find out "Robert Fry, Stafford-place, gentleman"?—I have.

8837. Have you been able to find him?—I have not.

8838. What Stafford-place is it?—There is Stafford-place, and Stafford-place South, Pimlico.

8839. Have you been able to find him?—No, I have not; I have knocked at every door in the place.

Cross-examined by Mr. *Coppock.*

8840. Do you live at Penton-place, Walworth?—I do not.

8841. How long have you lived in Willow-street?—Twelve months.

8842. Have you ever lived at Penton-place, Walworth?—Never in my life over the water.

8843. Have you inquired after Mr. Fry in any place but Pimlico?—I have inquired at Stafford-place, and in Pimlico.

8844. In any other place but Pimlico?—Buckingham-street.

8845. Did you go to any other Stafford-place but Stafford-place, Pimlico?—I went to the address of the summons.

8846. And that bore Stafford-place, Pimlico?—Yes.

[The Witness withdrew.

Richard Spencer, called in; and Examined as follows:

8847. *Chairman.*] HAVE you endeavoured to learn whether there is such a person as Robert Fry?—Yes, I have. *Richard Spencer.*

8848. Where have you inquired for him?—Stafford-place, Pimlico.

8849. Have you inquired at any other Stafford-place?—No.

8850. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did you go with the last witness?—No.

8851. Mr. *Green.*] Did you inspect the directory, and could you find out any other Stafford-place but Stafford-place, Pimlico?—I could not.

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8852. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did you never hear of Stafford-place, Oxford-street?—No, I never did.

8853. You never heard of any other but that in Pimlico?—No.

8854. Did you make any inquiry elsewhere?—Yes, in this neighbourhood.

8855. What was the name of the directory?—Piggott's Directory.

8856. Do you mean there is only one Stafford-place put down there?—I only saw one.

8857. Will you say there is only one put down?—There is only one put down there that I saw.

8858. How many years old was the directory; was it for the present year?—No, it was not.

8859. Why did you not find the best information?—I had not an opportunity of doing it.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *John Hill Powell*, called in; and further Examined, as follows:

Mr. *J. H. Powell.*

8860. *Chairman.*] DOES Mr. Gibbs's name appear upon any papers of the company as an applicant for shares?—I believe it does not.

8861. Do the applications for shares come under your cognizance, as an officer of the company, in the regular course of your business?—Yes, they do usually.

8862. Were you informed, previously to the time when those signatures that took place at Bucklersbury appear upon the deed, of Mr. Gibbs being a shareholder in the company?—I think not, as to Mr. Gibbs's name; but I certainly had previous information that some friends of Mr. Price were about to become shareholders to a large amount; it was in consequence of the minute that has been read, that the officers and the directors were severally to exert themselves to place the reserved shares.

8863. From whom did you receive such information?—I think from Mr. Price himself, but I am not certain.

8864. Where was that information communicated to you?—Probably in various places; it was a matter of general conversation at the time.

8865. Were you present at this meeting of directors at which the minute that has been read to the Committee this day was resolved upon, on the 21st of January?—I was present.

8866. Did any conversation take place at the board on the subject of exertions to be made by the officers of the company to obtain additional signatures to the deed?—Additional shares; we have some shareholders in the country that have not signed.

8867. Was Mr. Price present at that meeting?—I have no minute of it; the presence of the officers is not entered; I should think it most likely he was.

8868. Was it communicated to you at that meeting that Mr. Price had any friends that intended to take a large number of shares?—I should not think it was communicated at the meeting; it must have been communicated afterwards; but Mr. Price has always said, from the first, he had several friends who would come in and take shares when desired.

8869. Was it required of Mr. Price, was it part of his duty, that he should exert himself to obtain fresh takers of shares?—Not part of his duty, but rather as a part of his interest.

8870. What conversation had you with Mr. Price upon the subject of his procuring fresh shareholders?—Very little conversation on the subject; it amounted to nothing more than this, that he had some friends who would come in and take shares to a considerable amount; he said, if I recollect rightly, that in the north, with which he is connected, several friends of his would come in and take some shares; he has many very large connexions in the country.

8871. Have the deposits been paid to the company upon those shares which were signed for in Bucklersbury?—They have.

8872. By whom?—I do not know by whom they were paid, because I was out of town for a month or two; I should think some were paid through Mr. Price, probably.

8873. Who, during your absence from town, attended to the pecuniary concerns of the company?—I was not aware there was any party in particular; there were many payments made into the bankers' I found on my return.

8874. Will

8874. Will it appear in the bankers' books by whom the deposits upon those shares were paid?—It will not appear by whom they were paid, unless it was by a cheque. There is no entry in the bankers' book of the names impugned; but there are cash payments without names, one on January 31st, 400 *l.*; 20th February, 900 *l.*, merely cash paid in, 330 *l.*, 200 *l.*, 240 *l.*, 80 *l.*, 20 *l.*, 90 *l.*, 50 *l.*

8875. From what account belonging to the company will it appear in what way the deposits corresponding to those shares stated to belong to Mr. Gibbs were paid in to the company, or the banker of the company?—By no other account than the number of shares allotted corresponding with the amount of deposits; unless they were paid in cheque, the bankers do not enter the name.

8876. Do you mean to say you took no account of the manner in which the deposits upon so large a number of shares as 1,005 were paid in?—They appear to have been paid in at different times; if I had been there I think I should have taken an account, and have been able to inform you.

8877. Can you render an account from any documents belonging to the company in your possession, or in the possession of your bankers or solicitor, in what manner and by whom the deposits corresponding to those 1,005 shares were paid to the company?—It is impossible to render that account, because sums might have been paid in upon other shares at the same time; there are no means of tracing it; I know our accounts are very accurate as to the amount of shares corresponding with the amount of deposits; we have deposits for a considerable number more.

8878. Did Mr. Price apply for any specific number of shares for his friends?—No, he did not; I consider his instruction was of a nature that would authorize him, in moderation, to allot any number. If Mr. Price said, "A respectable friend of mine will take shares," I should consider that quite sufficient. Mr. Price is just as much hurt as we are at the discovery that has been made.

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8879. Have you, as secretary to this company, kept a book, in which the names of the applicants for shares are inserted?—Unless the shares were allotted, no book was kept, but a heap of letters.

8880. Have you the book in which the names of parties making applications for shares, and receiving appropriations of shares, are inserted?—Yes, we have a registry of shares.

8881. Have you that book; I am not asking for the registry of shares?—That is the book.

8882. Against the number allotted to each party, is there not the sum you have received from the party on the first deposit?—No.

8883. What was the mode of accounting, or the manner in which you received the deposits?—You have already been told by the bankers' clerk.

8884. Is the Committee to understand you kept no general account of the money received, being separate deposits of parties having shares?—The bankers' clerk has told you that upwards of 8,000 *l.* was paid the first two days, and was entered in a large lump; and I have already replied to you, that the scrip amount of shares issued by us corresponds with the total amount of deposits received.

8885. Have you the receipt that was given by the bankers' clerk, as an acknowledgment he had received the deposits upon the letters that were offered him?—You have already been told by the bankers' clerk that no receipts were given.

8886. When a person with a letter, allotting him five shares, went to the office to pay the money, did he go to the clerk who has been here from the house of Carr Glyn & Co.?—On the first day he did.

8887. Did he on the first two days?—Yes.

8888. After he had paid the money to the clerk of Carr Glyn, did he give him anything to denote that the money was paid?—He marked his initials on the letter.

8889. That was the bankers' receipt?—No, it was not.

8890. When he marked the letter, saying he had received the money, that was an authority to you to let him sign the deed?—He did not mark that he had received the money.

8891. That was agreed between you as a mark to be understood?—Yes, decidedly.

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8892. Are you in a situation to state how much money has been received by the bankers of this company since the 7th of March?—I am not sure whether the bankers' book has been made up; 1,070 *l.*, since the 22d of March, has been received.

8893. *Chairman.*] Up to the present time?—Yes, that is all that is entered; there is 750 *l.* given in subsequently, and which refers to a subsequent matter.

8894. Mr. *Green.*] When is that book made up to?—April the 3d.

8895. Are you in a situation to state what has been received since?—£. 750.; I gave you the figures 16,222 *l.*; the bankers' clerk gave the figures 750 *l.* more.

8896. *Chairman.*] Mr. Gibbs has produced one of the scrip certificates, which he states were handed over to him in consequence of money he had paid to the account of the company; have you any record of the scrip certificates that were issued to Mr. Price or to Mr. Gibbs on account of the shares that were to be appropriated to them?—We have a registry in which the names and numbers are entered; but no record of the date when the scrip was returned, or the sums.

8897. Will you produce to the Committee, at its next meeting, any record of any kind relating to the scrip certificates issued to Mr. Price or Mr. Gibbs?—I can produce it almost immediately; but Mr. Price's name and Mr. Gibbs's name do not appear.

8898. How do you distinguish them?—The shares are allotted to the parties who subscribed the deed.

8899. Mr. *Green.*] You have stated, from the 22d of March up to April the 3d, the sum of money paid to the bankers; but how much money has been paid in since the 7th of March?—I have answered you; I told you that the date of the first payment was the 22d, 1,070 *l.*

8900. Are you in a situation to show to the Committee upon whose shares that 1,070 *l.* is the deposit?—I have already answered that question, that I cannot.

8901. Is it the duty of the secretary to keep his books in a manner that he may answer a question of this description before this Honourable Committee?—I do not know that it is the duty of the secretary to answer all your questions; but it is the duty of the secretary to keep the books so as to give a clear account of the company's affairs.

8902. Is it the duty of the secretary to keep the books so that he could give a clear account to a general meeting of the company?—Certainly.

8903. Do you think the books are kept in that manner?—Yes, certainly.

8904. But they are not kept in the manner I have stated?—I consider they are not necessary, and no one of the subscribers would think of asking for it; if you want to know the amount of deposit any proprietor has paid, tell me the number of shares, or let me see the number of shares, and double that, and you will have the amount of pounds.

8905. Can you state any sum of money paid into the hands of the officers of the company by Mr. Cantrell, his nephews and his nieces, since the 7th March?—No.

8906. Is the sum of money paid into the hands of the bankers since the 7th of March the sum of money paid by the directors as the deposit on the shares which Mr. Gibbs stands for?—No; the deposits on the shares amount to double the sum.

8907. Is it for any of the shares?—No, not that I know; certainly not by any of the directors; they have not paid a farthing.

8908. Or any officers of the company?—Certainly not.

8908*. *Chairman.*] Can you undertake to say that no part of the sum paid into the bankers' since the 1st of January last is on account of the 1,005 shares claimed by Mr. Gibbs?—Decidedly.

8909. What part?—The whole deposits have been paid.

8910. How is it you arrive at that knowledge?—By a knowledge of the correspondence of the shares with the information I have received.

8911. State to us by what process of reasoning it is you arrive at the conclusion, that certain entries in your bankers' book are on account of the shares allotted to be appropriated to Mr. Gibbs?—Because the other entries appear to have been paid by cheque.

8912. State the entries, and by what course of reasoning it is you arrive at that conclusion?—Because these sums were paid in cash, and the other entries by cheque.

8913. State

8913. State the particular entries?—I find cash payments, January 31st, 400*l.*; I find, the 20th of February, 900*l.*; on March the 22d, 330*l.*; 200*l.* also on the same day; on the 23d, 240*l.*; on the 25th, 80*l.*; 28th, 110*l.*; 29th, 50*l.*; on the 3d of April, 60*l.*; that is all I find.

8914. How do you conclude from those entries that these sums, or any part of these sums, are on account of Mr. Gibbs's shares?—Because there were no other shares at that time; all the other shares I have been over, and have inspected the deed very carefully, and I find all the others fully accounted for; and I find these sums paid into the bankers'; and I am informed it was paid in on account of Mr. Gibbs's shares.

8915. By whom?—Everybody.

8916. Who do you mean?—Everybody in the office.

8917. State any one who gave you that information?—I think I was informed by Mr. Hoppe and Mr. Pain, and by Mr. Price and others also; it was one of the very first things I inquired after when I came to town.

8918. What do those several sums amount to?—£.2,370.

8919. How do you account for the difference between the deposits upon the 1,005 shares and this sum paid?—Other shares since taken.

8920. Will the bankers' book show by whom these sums of 400*l.*, and 900*l.*, and 300*l.*, and so on, were paid?—No.

8921. Mr. *Thornely.*] They were cash, and not cheques?—Yes; the cheques are entered by the name, except at first.

8922. *Chairman.*] The scrip certificate produced by Mr. Gibbs to-day is dated April 1836?—They all bear one date; they were all filled up on the very first formation of the company, on one date.

8923. Were these several sums of 400*l.*, 900*l.* and 300*l.* paid in by parties directly to the bankers', or had they been previously paid in to the company, or some officer of the company, who had added it to the former account?—Previously, to some officer of the company.

8924. What officer of the company will inform us by whom these sums of 900*l.* and 300*l.* were paid?—I think Mr. Price will give you the best information upon that point.

[*The Register of Shares was produced.*]

8925. Turn to the shares allotted to Messrs. Gibbs and Price?—Mr. Gibbs's name does not appear.

8926. Does Mr. Price's name appear?—No.

8927. Does any appropriation appear in that book of the shares that were signed for at Bucklersbury?—Yes.

8928. Of Mr. Gibbs' shares that were signed for at Bucklersbury?—Yes.

8929. Joseph Kendal?—Yes.

8930. And the other parties?—Yes.

8931. You know it to be so?—Yes.

8932. Has the scrip been delivered for all those shares?—Yes.

8933. Will any entry appear to whom it was delivered?—No.

8934. Has that been usual in the cases of other deliveries of scrip?—Yes, it is according to the usual plan.

8935. According to the practice adopted with regard to other scrip certificates, was any minute made of the parties to whom the scrip was delivered?—According to the practice adopted throughout the company no minute was made.

8936. Mr. *Green.*] You have stated, on the 31st of January 400*l.* was paid into the hands of the bankers?—Yes.

8937. Was there on that day a meeting of the directors of the company?—Yes.

8938. Is there any resolution, or any minute of any person paying a sum of 400*l.* as a deposit on shares?—No, nor upon any other day.

8939. On the 20th of February was a meeting of the directors of this company held?—No.

8940. On the 21st, was there?—No.

8941. What is the date of the next meeting after the 20th?—The 24th.

8942. Is there any notice taken of a sum of 900*l.* being received?—In no one instance.

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8943. On the 22d of March?—No, there is no meeting.

8944. How soon does a meeting take place after the 22d of March?—The 4th of April.

8945. Is there any notice taken at the meeting on the 4th April of the following sums: 330*l.*, 200*l.*, 240*l.*, 80*l.*, 110*l.*, 50*l.* and 60*l.*?—No.

8946. Has there been a meeting of directors since the presentation of the petition of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton to the House of Commons?—Yes.

8947. Is there any minute appearing on that book regarding that petition?—I will first ascertain whether there is, and then submit to my counsel whether I should answer it. (*The Witness looked at the minute-book.*) There is a minute there.

8948. Be kind enough to read it?—"4, Parliament-street, 14th March 1837. The solicitor submitted a draft petition in answer to the petition of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, as settled by Messrs. Burke & Venables, which, after some alterations, was resolved to be adopted, and Mr. Sanders requested to sign it on behalf of the board."

8949. Who were present at that board?—Mr. Sanders, Mr. Cash, and Ashley, were the three directors present.

8950. Is that minue signed by the chairman?—Yes.

8951. Mr. *Lord.*] You are aware that there were a number of persons upon that day, who, it is in evidence, signed at 24, Bucklersbury?—I know it now.

8952. You have been in the room and heard them examined?—Yes.

8953. Do they upon that deed purport to be entered as shareholders?—Yes.

8954. Did they ever pay 6*d.* upon their shares?—I cannot say what they paid, or did not pay.

8955. As secretary to the company, do you not know?—We have heard the evidence; we know what they have said; I do not know that they have paid anything.

8956. You are secretary to the company?—Yes.

8957. Is it not his duty to know what is paid?—It is not his duty to be in town and country at the same time.

8958. Do you believe they have paid 6 *d.* upon those shares?—I do not believe they have.

8959. Do you know whether the subscription of half the estimated expense was entered into previous to the petition being presented?—Yes, I do know that.

8960. When was it presented?—I think the 20th of February. I can tell you a reason why I know it: I knew it before I left town, and the petition was not presented till after I came to town. Before I left town I counted the signatures, and found them to exceed the amount required by the Standing Orders by 6,000*l.*

8961. Has there been any petition presented by the shareholders to the directors, praying them to dissolve the company?—I decline to answer the question; my answer would be in the negative; but I decline to answer it, as being irrelevant and impertinent to the inquiry.

8962. *Chairman.*] Do entries appear in the bankers' book of the company corresponding to two cheques of Mr. Duffield that have been produced, the one for 400*l.* and the other for 50*l.*?—Corresponding to the one for 400 *l.*, the 30th April 1836, cash, per J. Shewell, 400 *l.*; the other was included in the larger amount, on the first two days.

8963. What is the date of the other payment?—The 27th or 28th April, and this is on the 30th.

[The Witness withdrew.

[*For Questions* 8964 *to* 9527, *see Third Report, on the City or Southwark and Hammersmith Railway.*]

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MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. Warburton.
Mr. Forster.	

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., IN THE CHAIR.

The following Letter was delivered in:

" Sir, " Lombard-street, 25 April 1837.

" BELOW are the particulars you request, for the information of the Select Committee on the Westminster Bridge Railroad Subscription List:

" The number of shares upon which directors have paid deposits, 520.

" The amount of money paid upon shares, up to and including the 6th February last, 14,182 *l.*

" The amount of money received by the bankers since 7th March last, 2,720 *l.*

" As to the letters of appropriation, I do not find that we have any in our possession; I cannot give any information upon that point; we do not profess to take care of them; we may keep or return them, if required.

" I am, Sir,
" Your obedient servant,
" To Mr. G. Dyson, " *E. M'Keone.*"
" Committee Clerk."

The *Chairman* inquired whether Mr. Price had arrived in town.

Mr. *Hoppe* replied, that he had not, but would be in town to-morrow morning.

Mr. *Hoppe* also stated, that he had no witnesses he wished to examine.

Mr. *Green* stated, that important matters had come to his knowledge, since the Committee last sat, with respect to the deed itself, which he should be able to prove, if the Committee would allow him to put the deed in evidence, and call further witnesses.

Mr. *Hoppe* stated, that the observations made by Mr. Green were not founded in fact; and if he, Mr. Hoppe, were not attending at the expense of the company, while Mr. Green was attending at the expense of the public, he would at once consent to the witnesses being called; but he was bound to object to it under the circumstances in which he was placed.

The *Chairman* stated, that in consequence of the absence of Mr. Price, the Committee would not go into any further evidence, with respect to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway, to-day, but would resume that case to-morrow, and would now proceed with the case of the Southwark and Hammersmith Bridge Railway Company.

Veneris, 28° *die Aprilis*, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. C. Lushington.
Mr. Forster.	Mr. Warburton.

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. *Henry Habberley Price*, called in; and Examined.

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9528. *Chairman.*] ARE you engineer to the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company?—I am.

9529. When were you appointed?—At the first formation of the company; I forget when it was.

9530. About this time twelve months?—I should think somewhere thereabouts.

9531. Have you made an estimate, for deposit in the Private Bill Office, of the Railway?—I have, jointly with Mr. Pain.

9532. What is the amount of the estimate?—I have not a memorandum; I think it was 665,000*l.*; somewhere thereabout.

9533. In what year was it formed?—That portion which comprised the purchase of property was made by Mr. Pain alone, it not being in my department. The engineering and architectural part was made by us jointly.

9534. In what manner did you set about making this estimate?—By calculating the quantity of brick-work and the depths of the foundations.

9535. It was a detailed estimate?—Yes, all fully in detail.

9536. And the details monied out?—Yes.

9537. And the result was the aggregate of the whole?—Yes, it was.

9538. Are you a shareholder in the company?—No, not at all; I do not hold any single share.

9539. You have not signed the deed?—No.

9540. Have you, directly or indirectly, any interest in any shares of the company?—None whatever, at present.

9541. You have no interest at present; have you had at any time any interest in any shares of the company, directly or indirectly?—No; what I mean by present is, that it is very possible, after the Bill is obtained, I may buy shares; but I never do, in any concern I am engaged in, buy any till the Act is passed.

9542. Have you had any conversation with Mr. Gibbs, or any transaction with him, on the subject of railway shares, in which he may be directly or indirectly interested?—Yes.

9543. State to the Committee all that you recollect upon the subject.—I will state as nearly as I can; I have no memorandum.

9544. Begin as early as you can with the first conversation with Mr. Gibbs; or, if you had any previous communications with any other party upon the subject, state all that passed in the order of time?—Mr. Gibbs I have known for some years, and have had frequent communications with him on this and various other subjects, so that I can scarcely fix in my memory any precise time when I first asked him.

9545. State the date as nearly as you can?—I should think it was the end of last year, or the beginning of this, when I applied to him to take some shares. I knew he had some very extensive connexions, monied parties, who were very likely persons to take some shares.

9546. To Mr. William Gibbs, you mean?—Yes; I never spoke to Mr. Joseph Gibbs on the subject, his brother.

9547. Go

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9547. Go on; and state as precisely as you can what passed?—As nearly as I can I shall do so, of course. I told him I considered it a very excellent undertaking, one that could not fail to be very beneficial to any parties entering into it, and I could strongly recommend it to him and his friends. I did not consider they could possibly lose by them, if they chose to hold them for investment, and had no doubt they would turn out satisfactory to them; and that I thought, amongst his connexions and friends, he might very easily take from 800 to 1,000 shares, and I begged of him to think of it. I saw him frequently afterwards, and he said he had considered of it, and should like to take an interest in the undertaking for himself and his friends. I told him he might suit his own convenience as to the paying the money; that he could have the shares just as it suited him. I then looked upon him and considered him as a shareholder I could depend upon to the extent of 800 or 1,000 shares.

9548. What further passed?—He then took shares from time to time, and used either to give me the money or send it over, just as it suited his convenience.

9549. Did he tell you he would take 800 or 1,000 shares?—Yes, he did.

9550. How long was this after the first communication on the subject you made to him?—I should think a very short time.

9551. A week?—I should think not more than a week or a fortnight; I cannot fix the time.

9552. He said he would take this number of shares?—Yes.

9553. Did he make any objection to the signing the deed for that number of shares himself?—I did not ask him about signing the deed at first; I considered it could be done at any time.

9554. You did not ask him at first about signing the deed; did you afterwards?—I did a very short time before the deed was deposited.

9555. What did you say to him?—I told him it was time now to get the deed put in, and I must get him and his friends to sign up for the shares he had taken.

9556. What did he say?—He said that many of those shares were for parties, friends of his, and that he had a very great objection to his name appearing upon a deed of this kind.

9557. Did he raise any objection of that kind in the previous conversations you had with him?—No, he did not.

9558. What did you reply to him when he raised this objection to signing the deed?—I told him that he, having taken those shares, ought to sign it, or he should get his friends, for whom they were taken, to sign it.

9559. Did he say who his friends were?—No, he never mentioned a name to me.

9560. Did anything pass about paying deposits?—Nothing at that time; I think he had had almost all the shares, as far as I remember.

9561. Do you know anything under what circumstances, or how, or from what sources the deposits upon those 1,005 shares were paid?—No, I had no means of knowing where he derives his funds.

9562. Have you been privy or cognizant, in any way, to the payment of the deposits upon those 1,005 shares?—No, certainly not.

9563. Has any communication taken place between you and Mr. Gibbs, or any other person, on the subject of the payment of the deposit on these shares?—No.

9564. Have you had any communication with Mr. Hoppe on the subject, or Mr. Pain?—Not at all as to the payment of the deposits; I mean as to the raising of the funds.

9565. You have had no conversation with him as to raising the funds?—No.

9566. Have you had any communication with any of the parties referred to in the previous questions as to the payment of the deposits?—Not at all; with Mr. Gibbs's friends, I understand you to allude to.

9567. Mr. Gibbs, or Mr. Gibbs's friends, to the extent of about 1,005 shares?—I have had no communication with any of Mr. Gibbs's friends on the subject at all.

9568. Have you had any communication with Mr. Hoppe or Mr. Pain, or any other person connected with the company, on the subject of the payment of the deposits on these shares, which you supposed Mr. Gibbs to take?—Do you mean after the payment was made?

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9569. At any time.—When the money has been paid, I have mentioned there are so many shares in the room; this gentleman has agreed to take so many shares; but not particularly to any one of them.

9570. The question relates to either the raising the money for the payment of the deposits, or the actual payment of the deposits; have you had any conversation with any person on the subject of obtaining the money to pay the deposits, or the payment of the deposits?—Not as to obtaining the funds, but as to the second part of the question.

9571. I want to be informed respecting any knowledge whatever you have on the subject of either obtaining the money for the deposits, or the payment of money for the deposits?—With respect to the first part of the question, I have already stated I knew nothing of the mode of raising the money; as to the payment of the money for the deposits, I have never kept it any longer in my pocket than I could; when I have gone to the office, I have desired it to be handed over or sent to the bankers. I have never taken any memorandum of it.

9572. The question is confined to those shares which you suppose Mr. Gibbs to take?—So I understand.

9573. Did Mr. Gibbs, or any person on his behalf, pay money to you on account of the deposits on these shares?—Yes, he has frequently paid money to me, or sent it to me.

9574. Have you any memorandum of the sums of money he has paid to you?—Never; I never made a memorandum on the subject; I did not think it necessary.

9575. To whom did you pay the money on account of those deposits?—I generally handed it over, or sent the money off to the bankers. I cannot say exactly to whom. I recollect once it was locked up all night in the office, in the iron chest.

9576. Have you received any money from Mr. Gibbs as the deposits upon these shares he took at your recommendation?—Yes.

9577. Do you not take any account or receipt of the money you pay to the company on behalf of any other person?—No; it is merely received with one hand and handed over with the other. I did not think it necessary to take any account of that kind.

9578. When you received money from Mr. Gibbs, or any person on his behalf, on account of the deposits, did you give him scrip for a corresponding amount?—I have generally done so; I suppose nearly all to a corresponding amount he sent me over.

9579. Do you undertake to say, that Mr. Gibbs paid to you the deposits to the extent of the number of 1,005 shares he took?—No, I cannot take upon myself to say that, but I kept no memorandum of it; and I am not sure as to the total quantity he took, but I understand he has paid upon all of them.

9580. To whom did you pay the money?—I have occasionally sent it on to the bankers, or desired the clerks to lock it up till they paid in at the end of the day, or whenever they did pay in.

9581. Can you give no account whatever of the sums of money you received upon these deposits?—No, I have kept no account of them; I am very extensively engaged in various undertakings, and I do not think it necessary. I look in for five or ten minutes at the various offices, and go away again.

9582. From whom did you obtain the scrip certificates that you state you handed over to Mr. Gibbs, in return for the deposit money he paid?—I may have either taken them out of the iron chest myself, or desired some one to hand me over so many shares, not scrip, and have given them to him.

9583. When scrip certificates were issued to you, was any account taken by the parties handing them to you of the number so issued?—None were issued to me, they are all kept together.

9584. From whom did you receive the scrip certificates you gave to Mr. Gibbs?—I have taken some myself; I am authorized to take any I like.

9585. When you took them, did you make any entry in the books of the company corresponding to the number taken?—No, not at all; it is not my business, so that the money is paid.

9586. If you took them without any other person being privy to it, surely you do not mean to say you were not bound to make some entry corresponding with the

the numbers taken?—It is not my business to make any entry; I have never made a single entry; there are always parties present, and so that the amount corresponds with the shares, I consider that sufficient.

9587. You stated you took some without other parties being privy to it?—Not without other parties being in the room.

9588. When you took shares in this way did you communicate to any other party the number you had taken?—I should say, whenever there was an amount paid, I have said to the parties present, I do not know whom, here is a certain amount of deposits, and there must be so many shares handed back; I felt myself perfectly authorized to do that.

9589. Did you supply any money on account of these shares?—Not a farthing.

9590. Did any other person supply any money to you on account of these shares?—No one.

9591. Do you believe that Mr. Gibbs handed over money to you to the extent of the deposits on the shares he took on your recommendation?—I said before, I did not believe he had paid so much as 1,000 shares. I do not think they were all issued by me; if a man sent in his deposits, he would have his shares back for it.

9592. Are you aware that in some companies no transfer of shares is allowed until after the passing of the Act, and that no transferee previous to the passing of the Act is allowed to sign the deed?—No, I was not aware of it.

9593. That none but persons to whom, as original subscribers, shares have been allotted, are allowed to sign the deed?—I was not aware of it; seeing them transferred in the market repeatedly, I thought they were a transferable article; it is a thing I have frequently done in other concerns I have been engaged in; I have said, here is 1,000 shares to be divided among your friends, you will have the deed sent down to you; I do not know the other parties; but I have done it in other companies to a very large extent.

9594. At whose instance was it you desired Mr. Gibbs to take this large number of shares?—I had been desired by the directors to place as many as I could.

9595. What instructions were they that you received from the directors?—Merely general instructions given to all the officers of the company, that it was desirable to get our friends to take as many shares as we could.

9596. What did you know of Mr. Gibbs' pecuniary concerns when you requested him to take this large number of shares?—I supposed him to have funds of his own, and I always supposed him to have very extensive monied connexions.

9597. When did you first hear of the transactions that took place at Bucklersbury, as to parties signing for a considerable number of shares severally, and receiving a small sum of money at the time for signing?—I did not hear of anybody receiving money at the time, until after the petition had been presented to the House of Commons stating the fact. I did not know who had signed it, but I never looked at the deed to see.

9598. You do not know the parties who have signed for those shares you originally requested Mr. Gibbs to take?—No, I never opened the deed; I might have seen it lying on the table, but never examined it; I considered that the solicitor's business, not mine.

9599. Had you any conversation with Mr. Hoppe, or Mr. Pain, or Mr. Powell, upon the number of shares that Mr. Gibbs should be requested to take?—I desired him to send over the deed; Mr. Gibbs had requested me to desire Mr. Hoppe to send the deed over to Bucklersbury, I think No. 24, as it would be more convenient to him, and that he should get his friends to come and sign there, those that he could, and the others he should go round to himself, along with Mr. Hoppe's clerk.

9600. In any previous instance in which you knew of the deed being signed, have you heard of parties signing without producing either a receipt for the money paid, or paying the deposit at the time of signing?—I have never heard of parties signing, unless the money was paid first, in any concern I have been engaged in.

9601. Did you hand over any account of the money paid to Mr. Hoppe, in order that he might have some check upon the number of shares to be signed for?—

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As far as I recollect, I told him he was to get signatures for 1,000 shares, or some such thing.

9602. Did you inform him you had received deposits for the amount of 1,000 shares?—No, I told him, as far as I recollect, that the deposits had been nearly all paid up, and that the rest would be; that the money would be forthcoming.

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9603. When were you summoned to attend this Committee?—I have received no summons from the Chairman other than one that came through the solicitor; I have been down to Sidmouth.

9604. Did the letter which directed you to attend this Honourable Committee disclose any matter in relation to the evidence you were to give?—Not a word.

9605. Nor in relation to the concerns of the company?—I am sorry I have not the letter with me; it stated to me that my presence was required in town, and I must come up immediately, otherwise the Committee would form the worst opinion of the company, or something to that effect; that I should lose no time.

9606. Did the letter come by post or private hand?—By post.

9607. When did you yourself arrive in town?—The night before last, late at night.

9608. Have you seen any persons connected with this company since you have been in London?—Yes, I have.

9609. Have the kindness to state who those parties are; the names of them?—I believe they are all in the room now; Mr. Coppock, Mr. Pain, Mr. Powell and Mr. Hoppe I have seen.

9610. Mr. Hoppe is not in the room?—I have seen him.

9611. Have the kindness to state any conversation you had with those gentlemen as to the evidence you were to give, or whether you had any?—No; I do not recollect any conversation as to the evidence I was to give.

9612. You asked no question, what evidence it was required of you to give?—No; I had nothing to do but to state the facts.

9613. Have you seen any other gentlemen besides those in the room, namely, the directors of the company, or Mr. Gibbs?—I have just seen the chairman of the directors, *en passant.*

9614. By *en passant*, you mean passed by him without speaking to him?—No; I shook hands with him, just outside the door of the House of Commons, as I came in.

9615. Did you remain in his company?—No.

9616. Was that meeting by appointment?—No, purely accidental; I had no knowledge he wished to see me.

9617. Did he express a wish to see you?—Not at all.

9618. Did any conversation transpire as to the evidence you were to give?—No; not a word. He merely shook hands, and said he was glad to see me back.

9619. You have spoken of some iron chest you placed the scrip in; was it your property, or the property of the company?—The property of the company, accessible to all the officers of the company when open.

9620. Do you mean to say the porter to the company could go there?—He has no business there.

9621. Is he not an officer?—No; I should not call him an officer any more than I should call my coachman an officer of mine.

9622. You were not obliged to ask the secretary for the key of the iron chest; you had one of your own?—No; it is always left open.

9623. Is that usual?—In that office it is.

9624. Is it usual in other companies?—I have seen it done in a number of other companies.

9625. Is it usual for engineers to companies to take scrip without the secretary or some other officer present, particularly the secretary?—The secretary has been so situated, he could not always be present; he has had to communicate with the landed proprietors.

9626. *Chairman.*] Was there any person appointed to officiate for him?—There was no other person appointed; I believe Mr. Hoppe's clerk used to attend.

9627. Mr. *Lord.*] Who did officiate for him?—There have always been parties

parties in the office; I have often seen Mr. Frederick Pain there, Mr Hoppe's clerk.

9628. From the attendance of Mr. Pain in the office, did you not conceive him to be a clerk of the company?—No; I considered him a clerk to Mr. Hoppe.

9629. Why did you consider him the clerk of Mr. Hoppe?—It is his business to be there.

9630. *Chairman.*] Did Mr. Pain officiate; not Mr. Powell?—He did not always do so; I have seen him there; he was there, ready to give an answer.

9631. Is there an accountant as well as secretary?—Not that I know of.

Mr. *Coppock* stated there was no accountant to the company.

9632. Mr. *Lord.*] Did you have any interest in those shares taken by Mr. Gibbs?—I have stated no before.

9633. Were those the same shares you took out of the iron chest?—Yes, so far as I handed them over.

9634. Who gave you authority to take them out?—I had the full sanction of the directors to take out as many as I pleased.

9635. Was it sanctioned by order of the board, by proceedings written in their books?—I do not know what is written in their book.

9636. How did you get their authority?—At the general meetings of the committee.

9637. When you attended this committee, was there any book of the proceedings kept in which their proceedings are entered?—I apprehend there is.

9638. And you gained any authority for taking those shares which you got from those books?—No, I do not say that.

9639. Will you say from what you got your authority?—Very often from the board at the time, being orally communicated, sitting round the table, saying you will exert yourselves, gentlemen, to get as many shares as you can disposed of; if a man is fit to be a confidential officer of a company, he is fit to be trusted with anything of that kind.

9640. When a communication was made to you that you should be allowed to have any number of shares you liked, were the officers of the company present?—I cannot say that they all were; sometimes one, and sometimes another.

9641. Point out any one present?—I cannot point them out; I cannot recollect the date.

9642. Was Mr. Hoppe present?—I have no doubt he was present.

9643. Was Mr. Powell, the secretary, present?—I cannot say positively; I have kept no memorandum of who was present.

9644. Was Mr. Pain present?—I cannot say.

9645. Were any of the directors present?—Of course the directors must have been there to give authority.

9646. After you delivered those shares to Mr. Gibbs, did you ever have any of the first shares re-delivered to you by Mr. Gibbs, or any other person?—No; I have never had them in my hand since.

9647. When you delivered them, did he pay you money for the shares?—Yes, for all I delivered to him.

9648. *Chairman.*] How was the money paid to you, was it by cheque or Bank notes, or how?—No, I think it was cash; I do not think he ever gave me a cheque in his life.

9649. Mr. *Lord.*] If you cannot tell what he paid you, how can you tell he did pay you?—When the shares were to be paid for, I received the money at the time; it is the transaction of a minute.

9650. There was never a cheque paid?—No, I never had a cheque from him in my life.

9651. The money you received did you hand over to the secretary of the company; or state what you did with it?—I have sent it sometimes off to the bankers' at once.

9652. Do you mean at your own bankers'?—No, I never mixed it up with my private affairs.

9653. *Chairman.*] Who did you send it to?—Messrs. Carr Glyn & Co.

9654. Have you in some cases paid in these receipts yourself to the bankers of the company?—No, never by myself; I have sent some one over from the office; I recollect once it was locked up in the iron chest all night.

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9655. Mr. *Lord.*] You say you never mixed up the money of the company with your own private affairs; you consider the dealing in those shares your own private affairs?—No, not at all.

9656. Will you explain what you mean by your private affairs?—I mean my affairs not connected with the company.

9657. You consider this not a dealing of your own?—Certainly not.

9658. Either directly or indirectly?—Certainly not.

9659. Mr. *Green.*] Did you call at the office of Mr. Gibbs in the month of February?—Very likely I did; I cannot charge my memory with dates.

9660. Do you know a person called Joseph Gibbs?—Yes, the engineer.

9661. Had you any conversation with him relative to the Deptford and Westminster Bridge Railway Company?—Not that I recollect; he may have asked me how we got on, but nothing relative to any transactions in shares.

9662. Did you at any time in the month of February have a conversation with Mr. Joseph Gibbs relative to the signing the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway deed?—I do not recollect anything of the kind.

9663. Did Mr. Joseph Gibbs ever ask you why he had the honour of your attendance at his office?—Not that I remember.

9664. Did Mr. Joseph Gibbs at any time in the month of February or any other time desire you to leave the office?—Never; he never offered me the slightest degree of insult, but met me as a brother professional man in the kindest manner.

9665. Did Mr. Gibbs, in the presence of his brother, Mr. William Gibbs, state that if his brother lent himself to the transaction of getting the deed signed, he should never come into his office again?—Never.

9666. Or assist him in any work?—Never.

9667. How long have you known Mr. William Gibbs?—Some years; I cannot recollect; I should say four or five years positively.

9668. Looking at Mr. William Gibbs five years ago, state what his circumstances were?—I cannot state at all what they were.

9669. Do you know what they are at the present time?—No, I do not.

9670. Can you state that he has paid the deposits upon 1,000 shares?—I should say not; but having very large engagements in commercial pursuits, if he had come to me and wanted 5,000*l.* worth of iron or steam engines, I should let him have it without hesitation.

9671. From the knowledge you have of Mr. Gibbs, should you consider him as worth 2,000*l.*, or capable of paying it?—Yes, and far more; I cannot possibly know the private circumstances of any man I deal with.

9672. *Chairman.*] What is his business?—He is not in any business.

9673. What is his occupation?—He is generally in his brother's office.

9674. You state you would be willing to let him have goods to the amount of 5,000*l.*; when you say that, are you aware of what his occupation is?—I know he has acted as secretary to a company for mining corporations in France.

9675. Do you mean to an English company carrying on mining operations in France?—To a company partly English and partly French.

9676. Do you know the name of it?—I forget the name of it; it is for working mines in the neighbourhood of Boulogne; I had a prospectus of it last year.

9677. Coal mines?—Yes, coal and iron.

9678. Is that the only business which you are acquainted with his being engaged in?—No; I have understood from himself he transacts business for some connexions of his in the country.

9679. As an agent?—I presume he acts as an agent; I should say he was an agent in that case.

9680. Mr. *Green.*] You have stated to the Committee that Mr. Gibbs was secretary to a foreign mining company; is that company in existence?—He was.

9681. Was that company ever in existence, or was it merely a prospectus to which his name was attached?—I saw his name to it, and he told me he had been over there once or twice about it.

9682. As an English secretary?—Yes.

9683. Was there a foreign secretary?—I cannot tell.

9684. Did he state the amount of salary he received?—No.

9685. *Chairman.*] You say you would trust him for 5,000*l.*; are you, besides being

being an engineer, dealer in machinery and iron?—Yes, and have been very largely, for more than 20 years; I am a manufacturer.

9686. Mr. *Green.*] Do you know whether Mr. William Gibbs is a clerk in the office of Mr. Joseph Gibbs?—No; I should not call him a clerk.

9687. Does he receive a salary from Mr. Joseph Gibbs for his services?—I do not know at all.

9688. *Chairman.*] You have stated he was connected with monied men; state what you know of that?—I have heard him frequently state he had monied connexions.

9689. What did he tell you about it?—That he had a great number of monied friends, who were ready to speculate in anything that was a real *bonâ fide* good thing.

9690. Did he enter into particulars?—No; I do not think he mentioned the names; I think he said he had an uncle, a very rich man.

9691. Mr. *Green.*] At the time you advised Mr. Gibbs to buy shares in the Westminster Bridge Company, and stated to him it would be a very excellent concern, can you state to the Committee the price they were at in the market?—I do not believe they were quoted.

9692. Were they of the value of 2*l.*?—I do not know that they were ever quoted; I never heard of a transaction in them in the market?

9693. What induced you to go to Mr. Gibbs, and state to him he must either sign the deed, or procure his friends to do so?—Because it was time for the deeds to be deposited.

9694. Is the Committee to understand from that, there was not a sufficient number of names attached to the deed to pass the Standing Orders of the House of Commons?—On the contrary, I stated to him, at that time, there was more than enough.

9695. Then why did you consider it so important that Mr. Gibbs or his friends should sign for the shares?—Because he had taken his shares, and I considered he ought to sign for them.

9696. Was the money paid for those shares at your office, or the office of the company?—I never received any money at my own office.

9697. *Chairman.*] Where was it paid?—Sometimes at his own office, and sometimes sent it over to the company.

9698. Sometimes at his own office?—Yes.

9699. What was the first date of your receiving any money from Mr. William Gibbs on account of those shares, as nearly as you can remember?—I should think somewhere about the month of February this year; I do not know whether he paid any in January or not, but January or February this year.

Mr. *Hoppe*, as agent for the company, was directed to furnish the following account: An account of the receipts and payments into the bankers' of the company from the 1st of January down to the time of the lodgment of the deed in the Private Bill Office.

9700. Mr. *Green.*] You state that Mr. Gibbs requested you to direct Mr. Hoppe to send the deed to 24, Bucklersbury?—Yes.

9701. What was your conversation with Mr. Gibbs relative to the deed?—I stated that, in answer to a question from the Chairman.

9702. Mr. Gibbs desired you to request Mr. Hoppe to send the deed?—Yes.

9703. Was there nothing else transpired in that interview with Mr. Gibbs than what you have stated to the Committee?—No; I have stated the substance of it as well as I recollect.

9704. You stated you had the sanction of the directors to go to the iron chest and get the scrip whenever you required it, and that that was given at a general meeting?—No, not at a general meeting, but a committee meeting.

9705. Are you aware whether there is any resolution in the minute-book to that effect?—I am not aware; I have not examined it.

9706. Did you give to Mr. Gibbs, at any time, a sum of money for the payment to parties for signing the deed?—Never; I never dreamed of such a thing.

9707. Do you know who keeps the office at 24, Bucklersbury?—No; I have heard since, it was a Mr. Turner.

9708. Who hired those offices?—I do not know, I am sure.

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9709. Were you ever in them previous to that day?—Yes, I had been in them previous.

9710. Had you any business with Mr. Turner previous to this day?—No.

9711. Do you know him or his clerk?—No.

9712. Do you know who hired them?—Not at this particular period we are inquiring about.

9713. Did you ever hear who did?—No; I knew that Mr. Gibbs had owned them last year.

9714. Did you at any other period ever hear who hired them?—No; I have stated I knew last year they were in the possession of Mr. Gibbs.

9715. Has the whole 1,005 shares been delivered through you to Mr. Gibbs?—No, not all.

9716. Were you present in the office at Bucklersbury when the half-guineas were given to the parties signing?—No, certainly not.

9717. Were you present at that time?—No, certainly not; I knew nothing of it, it was no business of mine.

9718. Mr. *Coppock.*] You have been engaged as an engineer for many years?—Yes.

9719. How many railways have you been concerned in?—I have been concerned in so many I cannot mention them all.

9720. The Great Western?—I had a great deal to do in settling the project of the Great Western, previous to their obtaining the Act of Parliament. I travelled with a deputation of directors, for six weeks, all through the West of England, in order to explain its objects and procure shares to be taken in that district.

9721. Were you successful in procuring shares, and among what class of persons?—The leading persons; the bankers, merchants and shopkeepers. I was desirous of having as general an interest diffused as I could.

9722. Were you concerned in the Great Northern Railway?—Yes, I was consulting engineer for it; it was thrown out last year on the second reading.

9723. Have you been concerned extensively in railways?—Yes, in getting Bills and carrying them into effect.

9724. And other public works?—Yes; and to an immense amount of capital.

9725. You know the sort of interest that an engineer derives from the prosecution of railways?—No doubt it is a very important branch of his profession.

9726. You would feel it your duty to dispose of as many shares as you could in any railway you are connected with?—Not unless I had a good opinion of it.

9727. For your own interest?—Yes; but my own interest would not induce me to recommend it to my friends, unless I had a good opinion of it; it would be sure to come back to me.

9728. If you were, as engineer, to place shares to the names of persons not able to pay for them, should you be benefiting yourself or the company?—No, I had no idea of getting anybody but good shareholders.

9729. You have known Mr. Gibbs some years?—Yes.

9730. And had a good opinion of him?— Yes.

9731. *Chairman.*] Have you had any commercial dealings with him?—No, I have not.

9732. Mr. *Hoppe.*] Did you ever know of any payment being made to parties upon this deed till you saw the petition presented?—No; and I was never more surprised in my life.

9733. Have you, directly or indirectly, received from the officers of the company money to pay deposits upon shares?—No, never.

9734. Did you ever hear, from officers of the company, that they were desirous of obtaining fraudulent signatures to the deed?—No, I believe they would scorn such a thing.

9735. As far as your knowledge goes, what has been the conduct of the directors of the company in allotting shares since it was first started; have they been guided by the respectability of the parties?—I have heard that they have; there were applications for vastly more than the capital.

9736. The deed was full, you have stated, before Mr. Gibbs procured signatures for a single share?—Yes.

9737. In the prosecution of this railway, had you not occasion to go to 24, Bucklersbury, to consult Mr. Gibbs upon the subject of the Croydon Railway?—To 25, Bucklersbury.

9738. You

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9738. You had occasion to communicate with him upon that subject?—Yes, I had an interview with him there.

9739. He was the engineer of that railway?—Yes; their railway forms the western terminus to ours; there is one communication with the Greenwich Railway, which forms a communication from that railway to the City; and one of our objects is to form a similar communication from the west end of London to the same railway.

9740. Do you know where the plans of the Croydon Railway were kept at that time?—At Mr. Gibbs's office.

9741. Were they not kept at 24?—No. 24 were the offices of the Croydon Railway last year, but I do not know whether they were given up.

9742. Am I to understand that your communication with Mr. Joseph Gibbs arose in consequence of his connexion with the Croydon Railway?—I am not aware of any other.

9743. Mr. *Lord.*] You have stated that the company, in allotting the shares, adopted the usual mode; is it not the usual mode for persons who want shares to write to the secretary for them?—That, I apprehend, is the usual mode in the commencement of all undertakings, but there are always a certain number of reserved shares; in this case the directors had reserved a very large number, intending to give them to parties on the line.

9744. Did Mr. Gibbs adopt the usual mode of applying by letter?—I do not know whether he wrote a letter originally, but those letters generally come in after the advertisement.

9745. Mr. *Coppock.*] Did you ever know that the parties who signed were not the parties who held the shares with Mr. Gibbs?—I always presumed that they were his friends.

9746. You know nothing to the contrary?—No.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Richard Rickards*, was called in; and Examined, as follows:

Mr. *R. Rickards.*

9747. *Chairman.*] WHAT are you?—A carpenter and builder.

9748. Where do you live?—Temple-place, Hackney-road.

9749. Have you signed the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway deed?—I did. [*The Deed was produced.*]

9750. Where did you sign it?—24, Bucklersbury. [*The Deed was shown to the Witness.*]

9751. Is this your name and handwriting, and, if it is, read so much of the line as is in your handwriting, and then read the remainder of the line not in your own handwriting; first, read what is in your handwriting?—"R. Rickards, Temple-place, builder, Hackney;" that is my handwriting.

9752. Now, read what is not in your handwriting?—The number of the shares; I did not sign for any number of shares.

9753. Read what is not in your handwriting?—"F. H. Pain, 30; 1,500; 60."

9754. £. 60 deposit?—Yes.

9755. Was the number of shares written there at the time you wrote your name?—The number of shares was put by Mr. Gibbs.

9756. While you were present?—Yes.

9757. Did you pay the deposit of 60 *l.*?—No, I had not the shares at that time; I was to have the shares.

9758. Did you see the person who writes his name as the witness, Mr. Pain, write while you were present?—I cannot recollect.

9759. What induced you to go there?—I was pursuaded by a party who had been to sign the deed; he said I was to have a certain number of shares when they were at a premium.

9760. Who was that person?—A person of the name of Haley, who had signed the deed.

9761. Where was this conversation?—On the Royal Exchange.

9762. Had you ever signed deeds before?—Yes, I signed the South Midland deed.

9763. What did Haley tell you?—That I was to have had a portion of the reserved shares.

9764. Did he tell you anything else that led you to go there?—He said, of course, I was to have half a sovereign for signing the deed, the same as he had.

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9765. Mr. *Lushington.*] As a matter of course?—Yes; he said, of course you will have the same as I had, a half-sovereign.

9766. *Chairman.*] What took place when you got there?—When I got there, there were three or four others in the room signing.

9767. Who did you see besides those parties who were signing?—There was a gentleman, and, I think, his name was Penney; he said he was a baker; and the observation from Mr. Gibbs was, "'Gentleman,' that will do; put down gentleman."

9768. Who did you see besides Mr. Gibbs?—Another gentleman sitting down at the farther side of him.

9769. What did they say to you?—They did not say anything in particular, only to sign the deed; and then Mr. Gibbs came outside, and asked me if I had half-a-sovereign in my pocket; I said, I had not; he gave Penny, who had signed the deed before me, or after me, he gave us a sovereign to go and divide between us.

9770. Have you had any shares, since you signed the deed, handed over to you?—No, I have not.

9771. Have you paid any money since for the deposit?—I have not.

9772. Are you able to pay 60 *l.*?—I am not at present.

9773. Mr. *Green.*] At the time you signed the deed was Mr. Gibbs in the room?—Yes.

9774. Did Mr. Gibbs make any statement to you as to the number of shares he should put against your name, or as to the word "builder" appearing against it?—He said, "Oh, that will do, put down 30."

9775. There was a person of the name of Penny in the room at that time?—Yes, he signed his name Penny; I never saw him before.

9776. Did Mr. Gibbs give you any money to pay Penny?—Yes, a sovereign.

9777. Did you pay Penny?—Yes, half-a-sovereign.

9778. Where did Mr. Gibbs give you any money?—Outside the door.

9779. Did Mr. Gibbs owe you any money at the time?—None.

9780. Did you owe Penny any money?—No.

9781. Was Mr. Pain a clerk of the company then?—I do not know that he is a clerk of the company.

9782. Is he in the room?—I think that is the gentleman. [*Pointing to Mr. Pain.*]

9783. Would you take the 30 shares if you were in a situation to do so at the present time?—No, certainly not.

9784. Your intention was to take the shares if they were to get to a premium?—Yes.

9785. *Chairman.*] And get half-a-sovereign?—Yes.

9786. Mr. *Coppock.*] Who asked you to sign the deed?—Mr. Haley.

9787. What did he say to you?—He said I should get half-a-sovereign.

9788. Who asked him to sign?—Mr. Chamberlain.

9789. Did you see any other parties about this business?—Only the other parties in the room.

9790. You have signed the South Midland deed?—Yes, the South Midland deed.

9791. Have you signed the South Eastern?—No.

9792. That you are certain about?—Yes.

9793. Do you know the directors of this company?—No, I do not.

9794. Do you know any of the officers of the company?—No, I do not.

9795. The only person that ever asked you to sign was Mr. Haley?—Yes.

9796. The only person that paid you any money was Mr. Gibbs?—Yes.

9797. Who paid you outside the door?—Yes.

[The Witness withdrew.

Richard Spencer, called in; and Examined, as follows:

Richard Spencer.

9798. Mr. *Green.*] YOU have had a summons for George Barnes, broker, High-street, in the Borough, to serve?—I have.

9799. Have you attempted to serve it?—Yes.

9800. Have you been to High-street?—Yes, to every house in High-street.

9801. Is there such a person?—No such a person was ever known.

9802. You had a summons to serve upon a person called Robert Gore?—Yes.

9803. Where

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9803. Where did you go to serve him?—Church-street, Spitalfields.
9804. Did you find out where he did reside?—No. 10, Church-street.
9805. What did you do with it?—A copy of the summons I pasted on the door.
9806. You had a summons to serve on a person of the name of Fry?—I had.
9807. How long have you had that summons?—A week or more.
9808. Have you attempted every day to serve that person?—Yes, I have.
9809. Have you been able to do it?—No.
9810. How many Stafford-places have you been to?—Stafford-place, Pimlico; Stafford-place, South Pimlico; Stafford-place, Bowyer-lane, Camberwell.
9811. Have you been to Stratford-place, Oxford-street?—No; I have not.
9812. Have you been able to serve the notice?—I have not.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *John Hill Powell*, called in; and further Examined, as follows:

John Hill Powell.

9813. *Chairman.*] IS the printed copy of the signatures to the Parliamentary contract deed, printed by order of the House, a *fac simile* of the signatures actually attached to the deed?—I have not examined it; I presume that, except clerical errors, it must be correct; I have not examined it.
9814. Clerical errors excepted, you believe it is correct?—It is printed by order of the House, and I believe it is so; that is my only reason.
9815. That which is lodged in the Private Bill Office is only a copy taken from your deed?—That is all.
9816. Do the names attached to the copy of the contract deed, lodged by the company in the Private Bill Office, stand in the same order in which they stand in the original contract deed; look at James Gardiner, in the deed; he stands near the end?—I do not understand exactly what you call the original contract deed; they stand as they are in this deed.
9817. That is the Parliamentary deed?—Yes.
9818. Do they stand in the same order?—Yes, as they do upon this; but there is a transposition made in this, which there is not in the other.
9819. Which deed is this?—The deed of settlement.
9820. Then they do stand in the same order in which they are printed in the Parliamentary contract deed?—Yes.
9821. But in the deed of settlement there is a sheet transposed?—Yes.

[The Witness withdrew.

Mr. *Joseph Gibbs*, called in; and Examined, as follows:

Mr. *Joseph Gibbs.*

9822. *Chairman.*] WHAT is your business?—Civil engineer.
9823. Where do you live?—I reside at Kennington Oval.
9824. Are you a civil engineer to any railway company?—Yes.
9825. To what?—The London and Croydon Railway Company.
9826. Mr. *Green.*] Do you know a person of the name of Price?—Yes, I know Mr. Price, the civil engineer; I have been concerned in several railways two or three years ago with Mr. Price.
9827. You had a conversation with him in the lobby of the House of Commons relative to the subject of this inquiry; be kind enough to state it?—I think when I saw you in the lobby I stated that I had nothing whatever to do with the investigations that have been going on; that I had nothing whatever to do either with shares or subscription deeds; that I had in fact refrained, throughout my experience, to have anything to do with that part of the business, and that some parties had called at my house; I inquired as to the nature of their business, and I was led to infer that it was something regarding taking shares in the Westminster and Deptford Railway, and I strongly objected to any shares being taken; who the parties were that called I do not know; I sent a message to the door, and begged them not to come there; that is the fact, and that is some part of the conversation I had with you.
9828. Did the name of Price occur in the conversation between yourself and me?—Yes, I think it did; but I must also state that perhaps the conversation I had with you was under some degree of excitement; I was exceedingly hurt.
9829. *Chairman.*] You must state the conversation?—I am endeavouring to recollect it. I was exceedingly hurt that my name should be brought into

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question, inasmuch as I have throughout my professional capacity avoided having anything to do with share lists, directly or indirectly.

9830. State what it was that passed?—I believe I have repeated the conversation that took place; my impression at that time was that Mr. Price was one of those parties that called upon me.

9831. Was he one of the parties?—I cannot say; I was in the garden with a gentleman, and sent out a message; whether it was Mr. Price, or any party belonging to Mr. Price, I do not know.

9832. What do you know of any transactions of your brother with these shares?—I know nothing but what I have heard from the investigations before this Committee; I never heard of it before, and I should have objected in the strongest terms to anything being done in it. I do not speak in reflection upon this company.

9833. Did you disapprove of your brother having any shares in this company?—Or any shares in any company.

9834. What is your brother's occupation?—He is not in any occupation.

9835. Has he any independence?—He has some means of his own.

9836. Has he any independence upon which he lives?—Yes.

9837. Has he means to take 1,000 shares, and pay 2,000*l.* deposit?—I should say he has not means to pay up upon 2,000 shares, because it is a very large sum.

9838. Has he means to pay 2,000*l.* deposit?—That I cannot answer: of course, my brother is entirely unconnected with me; whatever his resources may be, I cannot answer for; I know he has taken some shares for his friends in the country.

9839. Has he told you so?—Yes; and I disapproved altogether, especially in the situation in which I was in the several companies, that he should touch a share in any company whatever.

9840. Is he employed as agent by any manufacturing or commercial men?—No, the only employment he has had with regard to these matters he may have had some orders from his friends in the country regarding these shares; but that I cannot speak to.

9841. He has no business?—No.

9842. Mr. *Green.*] Did you see Mr. Price at your office within the last month?—I have seen him frequently upon matters of business regarding the junction of this railway, and the one now existing I am engineer to; it was necessary they should have the assent of the railway company I am engineer to; and it was referred to me whether the junction was a proper one, which he had to explain to me.

9843. Did you state to me the night before last, in the lobby of the House of Commons, you were so angry with your brother, you ordered Mr. Price to leave your office, and if your brother had anything more to do with it, he should be no longer under your roof?—Yes, I think that was the purport of it; but I must say, in justice to Mr. Price, that I am not certain of Mr. Price being one of the parties; I have always found him a very intelligent and upright man, although I certainly felt exasperated when I heard of these matters, which I only heard of a day or two ago.

9844. Is your brother a clerk or accountant in your office?—No.

9845. Has he ever been so?—No.

9846. Has he received any salary from you?—No; I have my own professional clerks, who understand my business.

9847. Mr. *Coppock.*] What is the railway you are connected with?—The Croydon Railway Company

[The Witness withdrew.

The parties and agents concerned in the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company then withdrew, the further inquiry into the Petitions relating to that railway being postponed till Wednesday next, Eleven o'clock.

Mercurii, 3° die Maii, 1837.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Mr. Brotherton.	Mr. Charles Lushington.
Mr. Chalmers.	Mr. Warburton.

HENRY WARBURTON, Esq., IN THE CHAIR.

THE *Chairman* read a return from Messrs. Glyn, containing the bankers' account of receipts and disbursements of the Company, from 1st January to the present time.

Mr. *Lord* was heard in support of the Evidence on behalf of the Petitioners.
Mr. *Coppock* replied on behalf of the Company.
Mr. *Thomas Green* applied to be heard.

Resolved,—That Mr. Green, not having appeared at the conclusion of Mr. Lord's observations, although search was made for him in the purlieus of The House, and Mr. Coppock having nearly concluded his reply before Mr. Green's appearance in the Committee-room, it would now be irregular to permit Mr. Green to address the Committee, without the consent of the Agents of the Westminster Bridge and Deptford Railway Company.

Mr. *Coppock* was asked if he consented to Mr. Green being heard, which he declined doing.

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— Appendix, No. 1. —

PETITION OF THOMAS GREEN.—2 March 1837.

No. 1.
Petition of Thomas Green, 2 March 1837.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of *Thomas Green*, of William-street, New North-road, in the County of Middlesex, yeoman,

Sheweth,

That certain persons named in the annexed prospectus have applied to this honourable House for the purpose of procuring an Act of Parliament for a company, called "The Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company."

That in order to deceive this honourable House, and with a view to make it appear that the Standing Orders required by this honourable House in cases of railroads had been complied with, parties have been solicited and allowed to sign the Parliamentary deeds without being shareholders in the said Company, and paid for so doing the sum of 10*s*., at the office of the surveyor, in Bucklersbury, in the city of London, as appears by the following admittance, the original of which is in the possession of your petitioner:—"17 February 1837. I hereby admit that I signed the Westminster and Deptford Company Railroad deed and Parliamentary contract, and that I was not a shareholder at the time, or am I now; that I received 10*s*. for doing the same, and my poverty compelled me to do so, the amount I signed for being 1,700 *l*.—Richard Spencer, Acct. &c."

Your petitioner therefore prays that this honourable House will refer the same to a Select Committee to examine into the allegations contained herein, and that your petitioner may be allowed his expenses to be incurred in proving the same.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

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— Appendix, No. 2. —

No. 2.
Petition of B. W. Poulton, 9 March 1837.

PETITION OF B. W. POULTON.—9 March 1837.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of *Benjamin Wheeler Poulton*, of Canonbury, in the County of Middlesex, gentleman,

Sheweth,

That your petitioner subscribed for 10 shares in a certain company called "The Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway," paid the deposits, and signed the Parliamentary deeds.

That the capital of the said Company, as appears by the prospectus of the said Company, is 700,000*l.*, in 14,000 shares of 50*l.* each, deposit 2*l.* per share.

That the parties who concocted the said Company have applied to this honourable House, in the hopes of procuring an Act of Parliament to authorize them to carry into execution the said Railway, and have procured their Bill to be read a second time in this honourable House.

That the copy of the deed deposited in the Private Bill Office, to comply with the Standing Orders of this honourable House purports to contain subscribers to the amount of 388,550*l.*, being nominally 38,550*l.* more than required by the Order of this honourable House.

That your petitioner is informed, and believes the same to be true, that the following parties, being paupers and persons in a very distressed situation of life, were induced by one William Robinson Chamberlain to sign the said deeds for the consideration of 10*s.* each, at the office of a surveyor living at No. 24, Bucklersbury, in the city of London, not being shareholders at the same time, viz.:—

		Shares.	£.
Signed the deed twice.	William Robinson Chamberlain, 21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road.	10	500
	William Robinson Chamberlain, 21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road.	15	750
Signed the deed twice.	Charles Fraser, 3, Buckingham-place, Old Kent-road, agent.	10	500
	Charles Fraser, 11, Lime-street-square, broker - -	30	1,500
Signed the deed twice.	William Algernon Piercy, Angel-court - - - -	5	250
	William Piercy, 7, Capel-court - - - - -	15	750
	Francis Wright, 16, Great Charlotte-street - - -	15	750
	John Crosby Henderson, 55, Baldwin-street, City-road -	30	1,500
	Richard Spencer, Baldwin-street, City-road - - -	30	1,500
	Benjamin Day, 6, Jewin-street, Aldersgate-street - -	50	2,500
	John Henry Morgan, 13, Yardley-street - - -	15	750
	George Broad, Peckham - - - - - -	80	4,000
	Francis Newcome, Old Kent-road - - - -	40	2,000
	John Haley, 8, Thomas-street - - - - -	30	1,500
	R. Rickards, Temple-place, Hackney - - - -	30	1,500
Signed the deed twice.	William Dorrington, Harleyford-street, agent - - -	10	500
	William Dorrington, Kennington-common - - -	50	2,500
Signed the deed twice.	John Jackson, 14, Dorset-place, New North-road - -	10	500
	John Jackson, 14, Dorset-crescent - - - -	50	2,500
	Vernard Prankard, 16, Park-place - - - -	30	1,500
	A. H. Salem, 2, Sweeting's-rents - - - - -	40	2,000
	Richard Lee, 1, Bartholomew-lane - - - -	15	750

That your petitioner has been shown, by one Thomas Green, who has petitioned this honourable House, a written admittance of the above-named Richard Spencer, that the said Richard Spencer signed the said deeds for the sum of 10*s.*, and that his poverty compelled him to do so.

Your petitioner therefore prays that this honourable House will refer this petition to a Select Committee, to inquire into the serious charges contained herein, and that your petitioner be allowed by this honourable House his expenses to be incurred in proving a gross fraud committed on the British Legislature, the *bonâ fide* shareholders of the said Company, and the public at large.

And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

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Benjamin Wheeler Poulton.

— Appendix, No. 3. —

PETITION of the DIRECTORS of the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company.

No. 3.
Petition of the Directors, 14 March 1837.

The humble Petition of the Directors of the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company,

Sheweth,

THAT your petitioners have read the petition of one Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, describing himself as of Canonbury, in the county of Middlesex, gentleman, presented to your honourable House, and alleging that certain parties therein named, being paupers and persons in a very distressed situation of life, were induced by one William Robinson Chamberlain to sign the Parliamentary Contract in respect of the above-mentioned Railway for the consideration of ten shillings each, not being shareholders at the same time in the said undertaking; and also the petition of one Thomas Green, describing himself as of William-street, New North-road, in the county of Middlesex, yeoman, to the same effect.

That your petitioners have never, by themselves or their agents, directly or indirectly, authorized, sanctioned, or been party, privy to, or cognizant of any such transaction.

That the greatest portion of the signatures to the Contract referred to in the said petition, and representing subscriptions to a greater amount than required by the Standing Orders of your honourable House to be entered into before the introduction of the Bill for making the said Railway, were affixed either at the office of the said Company or at the office of the solicitor to the said Company. And your petitioners are credibly informed and believe, that the parties who have signed the said Contract are persons of undoubted respectability, possessing means sufficient to carry into effect an undertaking requiring capital to much greater extent than that required for the purposes of this Company. And that moreover a much larger number of shares than those signed for, prior to the said petition for this Bill having been referred to the Committee on Standing Orders, having been taken up by competent and respectable parties.

That, in order that there may be no doubt on the subject of the deed, your petitioners respectfully submit to the consideration of your honourable House an alphabetical list of the Subscribers to it, as deposited in the Private Bill Office.

That it is a very frequent and almost universal practice, in raising the funds requisite for the formation of joint-stock companies, to dispose of a portion of the shares to shareholders and others, who make it their business to allot the same in small amounts amongst their connexions, guaranteeing that the parties taking up the said shares shall sign the contract in respect thereof, and that they shall be respectable and competent persons; which course has, to a small extent, and not affecting the number of shares required by your honourable House to be subscribed for, been adopted in the present instance.

That the parties who have taken up such shares are generally, as far as your petitioners have been informed and believe, respectable individuals.

Your petitioners humbly submit, that it would be utterly impossible for any board of directors to inquire into the circumstances of all the subscribers; nor in a property which, like railway shares, is daily changing hands, and easily convertible into money, does such an inquiry appear to your petitioners to be a matter of high importance to the interests either of the Company or of the public.

That not one single farthing of the Company's money has been expended for the purpose of obtaining signatures to the Parliamentary Contract; neither has any such proceeding as that referred to in the petition of the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, ever been authorized by or known to your petitioners.

That your petitioners firmly believe, from inquiries which they have made, and from the threats which have been used from time to time, and for some considerable time before the presentation of their respective petitions to your honourable House by the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and Thomas Green, towards themselves, and which they have been informed are held out generally by them against many Railway Companies now before Parliament, that the sole object of the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and Thomas Green, in presenting their said petitions, has been, as your petitioners believe, to extort money from your petitioners for the suppression of a charge calculated to delay and throw discredit on their proceedings, and they have been credibly informed that these individuals, or one of them, lately spread a report that your petitioners had engaged to give them one hundred pounds to insure their silence in the affair, and that they had already received, and expected to receive, large sums of money from other parties on similar grounds, every such allegation, so far as relates to this Company, being utterly false.

That your petitioners are prepared, if called upon, to prove that the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton obtained his shares in this Company under a false representation; and that from inquiries lately made they are also prepared, if called upon, to prove that the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and Thomas Green, and the said Richard Spencer, in their petitions named, have

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have been notoriously engaged together in transactions of a disreputable character, and are themselves persons of indigent circumstances, and who have no interest in the inquiry which they pray for, than that of extorting money from your petitioners as aforesaid, or of obtaining remuneration for Parliamentary attendance and expenses during such inquiry, both the above named individuals praying in their petition that their expenses may be allowed them.

That by the London Gazette of July 7th 1835 it appears that the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton gave notice of his intention to apply to the Court for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors in the following form: "On Thursday the 30th day of July 1835, at the same place, Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, formerly of Hermes-street, Pentonville, then of Dudley-grove, Paddington-green, then of Church-street, Stoke Newington, private tutor, then of Canonbury-street, Islington, then of Banner-street, St. Luke's, merchant's clerk, then of Hertford Cottages, Kingsland Road, and of Philpot-lane, London, broker, then of Scarsdale-terrace, Kensington, Middlesex, then of Marlborough-place, Kennington-cross, Surrey, tutor, then of Wiltmere-place, New North-road, Islington, then of No. 21, Regent-street, City-road, and late of Edward-terrace, Chalk-road, Pentonville, Middlesex, and of Lothbury, London, private tutor, and general commission agent."

That your petitioners are quite ready to meet any charge that may be brought against their proceedings, and to submit to the fullest and most rigid inquiry respecting the same; but they humbly submit to your honourable House that inasmuch as the Committee to whom this Bill will be referred must necessarily inquire into the validity of their Subscription Contract, in compliance with the Standing Orders of your honourable House, it would be attended with extreme hardship to your petitioners if the proceedings on their said Bill were to be delayed, and the expenses thereof increased by a previous inquiry before a Select Committee, to be appointed on the ex-parte statements of individuals seeking to impede and delay such proceedings for their own private purposes.

That such a course would establish a most dangerous precedent, and would afford an inducement to persons of disreputable characters to extort money from Companies for the suppression of unfounded charges, calculated to impede and delay their proceedings; and your petitioners rely with confidence in the justice of your honourable House, that such an attempt will not be allowed to prevail in the present instance.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray, that the petitions of the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and Thomas Green may be dismissed by your honourable House, and that your petitioners may not be subjected to a protracted, vexatious, expensive, and useless inquiry, as sought for by the said petitioners.

14 March 1837. And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

The SCHEDULE above referred to.

Signature of each Subscriber.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	No. of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.
				£.
Ashley, Charles Henry	Camberwell-grove	gentleman	20	1,000
Allen, Joseph	Upper Gloucester-place	ditto	20	1,000
Aquilar, David	5, Wickham-place	agent	10	500
Addison, Edward	26, Lombard-street	gentleman	30	1,500
Adams, Thomas	32, East Smithfield	warehouseman	15	750
Amber, Chas. Andrews	5, Hanover-street, Hanover-square.	gentleman	75	3,750
Ayres, James	27, Wharf, City-road	iron merchant	15	750
Anderson, Peter	19, Chester-place, Kennington.	gentleman	50	2,500
Allen, Joseph	Upper Gloucester-place	ditto	80	4,000
Ashley, Charles Henry	Camberwell-grove	ditto	60	3,000
Allenson, William	Dalston	wine merchant	25	1,250
Andrews, Geo. Henry	Kennington	gentleman	70	3,500
Andrews, James	Kennington	ditto	50	2,500
Ansley, Gilbert	6, Torrington-place	ditto	15	750
Barker, G. A.	East-street	agent	2	100
Borradaile, Geo.	Balham	merchant	20	1,000
Blain, Henry	51, Lime-street and Peckham.	ditto	3	150
Barnes, Alfred	1, Canonbury-terrace	stockbroker	10	500
Benson, William	6, Chandler's-place, Kent-road.	provision merchant.	10	500
Boyle, Frederick	8, Newton-terrace, Kennington-green.	gentleman	30	1,500
Beilby, Jonathan	York	ditto	50	2,500
Barton, Robert	22, Connaught-terrace	ditto	115	5,750

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Signature of each Subscriber.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	No. of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.
				£.
Bragg, John	Throgmorton-street	gentleman	40	2,000
Brown, Rowland Jay	38, Sidmouth-street, Regent's-square.	ditto	60	3,000
Blake, Thos. John	20, Queen-st., Tower-hill	broker	5	250
Bannister, Jos.	Willow-cottages, Cannonbury.	gentleman	10	500
Brown, G. B.	6, Lee-terr., Blackheath	merchant	20	1,000
Barnett, John	Park-place, Peckham	gentleman	10	500
Bensusan, Thomas	Lombard-street	merchant	20	1,000
Boulter, Edmund	Maubey-place, Lambeth	ditto	10	500
Baines, John	Cumberland-cottage, Middle-road.	surveyor	5	250
Beeston, Richard	Dulwich	gentleman	25	1,250
Bailey, Samuel	95, Wood-street, City	silk merchant	15	750
Brookman, James	10, Berner-street, Oxford-street	gentleman	15	750
Borradaile, Tom	20, King's Arms-yard	ditto	30	1,500
Barnewall, Thomas	20, Northwick-terrace	merchant	20	1,000
Blackman, Richard	Bonner's Hall, Hackney	gentleman	20	1,000
Beddome, Samuel	Mansion House	common cryer	8	400
Bates, Edward	39, Throgmorton-street	gentleman	20	1,000
Barnes, George	High-street, Borough	broker	40	2,000
Broad, George	Peckham	gentleman	80	4,000
Crocker, Samuel	15, Hemming's-row	ditto	15	750
Chamberlain, W. R.	21, Surrey-grove	ditto	50	2,500
Cash, William	Peckham Rye	woollen mercht.	20	1,000
Collinson, Henry	17, Bedford-place, Russel-square.	gentleman	10	500
Cole, Thomas	156, Leadenhall-street	bookseller	35	1,750
Cole, George	172, Regent-street	gentleman	20	1,000
Carter, Thomas	32, Gordon-street, Gordon-square.	ditto	50	2,500
Chamberlain, W. R.	21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road.	ditto	5	250
Craik, Charles	17, Cheapside	clerk	10	500
Cooper, Henry	8, St. Thomas-street, Southwark.	gentleman	10	500
Campbell, John	Liverpool-street	merchant	25	1,250
Clement, John Turner	6, Adelaide-place	gentleman	10	500
Cooper, John	3, Northampton-square	ditto	20	1,000
Chapman, C. W.	Southampton-street, Peckham.	broker	10	500
Cole, James	11, Angel-court	gentleman	10	500
Cutler, Thomas	63, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square.	physician	50	2,500
Clayton, J. H.	20, Great James-street	gentleman	100	5,000
Clayton, R. F.	4, Little James-street	ditto	100	5,000
Coutts, Charles	Grove-house, Clifton, Bristol.	ditto	10	500
Darthez, Staurnsland	15, Austin Friars	merchant	50	2,500
Duffill, J. H.	35, Throgmorton-street	gentleman	25	1,250
Duffill, J. W.	Homerton	ditto	200	10,000
Dorrington, William	Kennington-common	ditto	50	2,500
Dorrington, William	Harleyford-street	agent	10	500
Dalton, William	Little Abingdon-street	coal merchant	5	250
Dellisser, Alexander	1, Woburn-place	surgeon	10	500
De Horne, A.	2, Warnford-court	gentleman	60	3,000
Day, Benjamin	6, Jewin-street, Aldersgate-street.	ditto	50	2,500
Dudman, Joseph	Charlton, Kent	ditto	20	1,000
Eyre, Henry	Bedford-pl., Bloomsbury-square.	ditto	20	1,000
Edgeley, Jas. Francis	48, Mark-lane	wine merchant	10	500
Ewbank, William	3, Arundel-street	gentleman	100	5,000
Ewbank, William	3, Arundel-street	ditto	100	5,000
Everitt, William	92, Royal Exchange	newsman	20	1,000
Francis, Thomas	27, Surrey-square	stockbroker	25	1,250
Feltham, John	42, Lombard-street	discount agent	30	1,500
French, James M.	Perrey-hill, Sydenham	merchant	10	500
Fisher, Samuel, Rev.	Aylesham	clerk	10	500

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Signature of each Subscriber.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	No. of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.
				£.
Fox, Sam. Geo.	2, Blandford-street	stationer	40	2,000
Freshfield, Frederick	2, Throgmorton-street	gentleman	10	500
Fraser, Charles	3, Buckingham-place, Old Kent-road.	agent	10	500
Foster, William	8, Castle-alley, Royal Exchange.	gentleman	15	750
Fraser, Charles	11, Lime-street-square	broker	30	1,500
Fry, Robert	Stafford-place	gentleman	50	2,500
Garrott, M. R.	City-road	ditto	30	1,500
Gore, Thomas H.	Spitalfields	surgeon	40	2,000
Gardner, James	Prospect-place, Cambridge-heath.	gentleman	50	2,500
Godwin, Thomas	5, Angel-court	stockbroker	25	1,250
Gye, Edward	Regent-street, Lambeth	clerk	5	250
Gardner, Richard	7, Brunswick-square	gentleman	2	100
Garrow, David	St. John's College, Cambridge.	clerk	50	2,500
Gillet, George	94, Watling-street	merchant	150	7,500
Graham, George	11, Cheapside	ditto	30	1,500
Gooch, Edw. Fred.	21, Fenchurch-street	stationer	5	250
Green, Theophilus	Mabledon-place	gentleman	50	2,500
Gray, Richard	South Villa, Wandsworth-road.	stockbroker	10	500
Harland, Richard	4, Albany-street	wine merchant	5	250
Hogard, Ann	Waterloo-place	widow	40	2,000
Hoppe, Chas. Edgley	Bridewell Precinct	coal merchant	75	3,750
Hoppe, Joseph	9, Water-street	ditto	65	3,250
Higgins	13, Avenue-road, Regent's-park.	gentleman	25	1,250
Hogard, Fred.	3, New Inn	ditto	25	1,250
Hendricks, H.	Grove-house, Blackheath	merchant	10	500
Heath, William	3, Charlotte-row	solicitor	5	250
Hyde, Thomas	157, Fenchurch-street	clerk	5	250
Hays, Jas.	Newgate-street	surgeon	20	1,000
Heman, Joseph	39, Prince's-road, Kennington.	gentleman	5	250
Hatchwell, William	14, Penton-pl., Walworth	ditto	5	250
Hoare, Chas.	10, Egremont-place, New-road.	ditto	65	3,250
Harvey, Francis	Nottingham-street	ditto	65	3,250
Henderson, Jno. Crosby	55, Baldwin-st., City-rd.	ditto	30	1,500
Halley, John	8, Thomas-street	ditto	30	1,500
Johnson, Richard	Stock Exchange	stockbroker	50	2,500
Joyce, Thomas	21, Bury-street, Bloomsbury.	gentleman	10	500
Jackson, John B.	6, Waterloo-street	warehouseman	20	1,000
Johnston, William	4, Camden-street, Hampstead-road.	M. D.	20	1,000
Jackson, John	14, Dorset-place, New North-road.	gentleman	10	500
Impey, Edward	Cheltenham	ditto	60	3,000
Ireland, John	25, Robert-street, Bedford-row.	ditto	80	4,000
Jackson, John	14, Dorset-crescent	ditto	50	2,500
Keefe, Samuel J.	4, Brett's-buildings	ditto	10	500
Kenny, Wolfenden	20, Throgmorton-st.	ditto	10	500
Kendall, Joseph	13, East-terrace, St. George's-road.	ditto	25	1,250
Kyan, John Edward	Medhurst, Kent	ditto	60	3,000
Langley, Thomas	Birmingham	leather dealer	30	1,500
Lawson, John	Bowness-house, Kennington-lane	gentleman	10	500
Linsey, James Henry	Lawrence Poultney-pl.	ditto	10	500
Leaf, William	Park Hill, Streatham	merchant	100	5,000
Laud, William Henry	Bristol	broker	20	1,000
Lee, Richard	1, Bartholomew's-lane	jobber	15	750
Langley, Frederick	4, Taunton-pl., Regent's park.	gentleman	50	2,500
Linsey, C. H.	13, Stangate-street	ditto	35	1,750
Measam, William	Aldgate	hatter	40	2,000

No. 3.
Petition of the Directors, 14 March 1837.

Signature of each Subscriber.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	No. of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.
				£.
Musgrave, Charles	63, Carey-street	stationer	10	500
Matthew, Charles F.	10, Angel-court	gentleman	30	1,500
Mitchell, Frederick	Coburg-road, Camberwell.	merchant	20	1,000
Magrath, Henry Jesson	65, Bread-st., Cheapside	gentleman	5	250
Morgan, John Henry	13, Yordley-street	ditto	15	750
Morrison, Geo. Will.	56, Basinghall-street	ditto	10	500
Mitchell, William	2, York-road, Lambeth	ditto	10	500
Middleditch, Woolfrey	42, Old Change	merchant	60	3,000
Moore, Ambrose	Milk-st. Cheapside	silk manufacturer	10	500
Mortimer, Hubert	Upper Tooting	merchant	15	750
M'Kenzie, John Nelson	2, Dalton-place	stationer	3	150
Maun, Alexander	Peckham-grove	gentleman	5	250
Moore, George	15, Clifford's-inn	ditto	40	2,000
Mills, John	Bromley, Kent	lieut.-colonel	50	2,500
Manning, Thomas	22, New Ormond st.	gentleman	20	1,000
Newcomb, Francis	Old Kent-road	ditto	40	2,000
Northcote, Stafford	Doughty-street	merchant	40	2,000
Nally, Richard Mac	3, Walbrook	ditto	20	1,000
Ogden, John Robert	51, Paddington-street	gentleman	20	1,000
Perkins, Robert	23, Gloucester-street	ditto	10	500
Parkin, James	Ranelagh-grove	ditto	15	750
Piercy, Wm. Algernon	15, Elder-st., Spital-sq.	ditto	5	250
Power, Henry	Wandsworth	ditto	10	500
Pinkard, Henry	Gt. Russell-st., Bloomsb.	merchant	10	500
Palmer, Philip	118, St. Martin's-lane	glass merchant	20	1,000
Peile, Catherine	81, Lisson-grove	spinster	5	250
Porter, Henry	United University Club	gentleman	10	500
Phillips, R.	8, Brunswick-st., Clerkenwell.	ditto	25	1,250
Penny, Henry	Bell-alley, Coleman-st.	ditto	25	1,250
Poulton, Ben. Wheeler	Staines-rd., Hounslow	ditto	10	500
Pride, Benjamin	Honduras Wharf	merchant	10	500
Phillips, George	Haverfordwest	surgeon	10	500
Paine, Geo. A.	High-st., Bloomsbury	gentleman	20	1,000
Prankerd, Vernon	16, Park-place	ditto	30	1,500
Piercy, William	7, Capel-court	ditto	15	750
Pearce, Robert	Pedlar's Acre	ditto	10	500
Rotch, Thos. D.	Leyton, Essex	ditto	20	1,000
Raines, Jos. Robertson	92, Aldersgate-street	surgeon	70	3,500
Robins, James	46, Old Change	lace manufacturer	50	2,500
Rogers, Henry	Consol Office, Bank	gentleman	10	500
Robinson, Charles	York	merchant	100	5,000
Ruchas, Henry	4, Burton-crescent	gentleman	20	1,000
Rickards, R.	Temple-place, Hackney	builder	30	1,500
Reeve, William	12, John-street, Adelphi	gentleman	5	250
Rickards, Thomas	3, Clarence-pl., Camberw.	ditto	10	500
Rucker, S.	Wandsworth	broker	30	1,500
Rucker, Henry John	Camberwell	gentleman	25	1,250
Sanders, James F.	King-st., Portman-sq.	ditto	20	1,000
Stone, W. H.	6, Gutter-lane	ditto	25	1,250
Smith, John	50, Bartholomew-close	smith	10	500
Scott, Joseph	24, Basinghall-street	gentleman	60	3,000
Stokes, John Edward	Hemsley-terr., Hackney	broker	15	750
Spencer, Richard	Baldwin-street	gentleman	30	1,500
Simpson, William	9, Oxford-street	ditto	25	1,250
Sherriff, Francis	94, Watling-street	merchant	150	7,500
Shearman, John	Russell-house, Brighton	esquire	50	2,500
Sutton, Robert	7, Castle-alley, Royal-Ex.	gentleman	100	5,000
Sparkes, Rd. Amersley	Northend, Fulham	merchant	10	500
Stephenson, William	73, Angel-court, Throgmorton-st.	gentleman	15	750
Stewart, John James	Winchester-house, Broad-street.	merchant	20	1,000
Stevens, S. F.	7, Old Broad-st.	broker	30	1,500
Sparrow, Martha	3, Charles-pl., Walworth	widow	10	500
Smethurst, Thomas	Clapham Rise	surgeon	50	250
Stewart, Charles	34, St. James-st.	gentleman	10	500
Stothert, Henry	Bath	engineer	20	1,000
Sprot, Mark	Riddle, Roxburgh	gentleman	75	3,750

(*continued*)

No. 3. Petition of the Directors, 14 March 1837.

Signature of each Subscriber.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	No. of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.
				£.
Stephens, Rob. Walls	17, York-pl.	gentleman	20	1,000
Sprot, John	Oriental Club	ditto	100	5,000
Smethurst, William	3, Knight's-pl., Wandsworth-rd.	ditto	3	150
Smith, John	Doddington-grove	ditto	100	5,000
Searle, George	Stangate	boat builder	35	1,750
Saunders, James E.	50, Bond-street	gentleman	180	9,000
Salem, A. H.	2, Sweeting's-rents	agent	40	2,000
Surmon, H.	Long-lane, Smithfield	veterinary surg.	25	1,250
Thomson, John	7, Old Change	merchant	20	1,000
Taylor, James	43, Lombard-st.	fishmonger	10	500
Turner, Thomas	14, South-square	gentleman	15	750
Titterton, John	Brixton	merchant	10	500
Titterton, George	141, Lambeth-walk	wine merchant	5	250
Thorpe, Thomas	George-street	merchant	50	2,500
Thomas, R. G.	Tooting, Surrey	esquire	50	2,500
Thomas, G. Treherne	Tooting-lodge, Surrey	ditto	100	5,000
Triston, John Horell	38, Nicholas-lane	solicitor	5	2,500
Thomas, Morgan	Gatehouse, Sussex	esquire	100	5,000
Thurston, Henry	Camberwell, Surrey	gentleman	30	1,500
Troubat, Felix	84, Gracechurch-street	merchant	10	500
Thompson, Joseph	7, Old Change	ditto	60	3,000
Vial, Peter de	10, Dalby-terrace	ditto	60	3,000
Vaughton, John	48, Prospect-place	gentleman	20	1,000
Vincent, Edmond	Wilmington, Kent	esquire	50	2,500
Upton, George	Queen-st., Cheapside	lamp maker	10	500
Wood, Weston	65, Baker-street	merchant	20	1,000
Wilson, Alfred	Stamford-hill	gentleman	20	1,000
Watt, Walter	7, John-street, Bedford-row.	ditto	5	250
White, Wigan William	Sweeting's-rents	ditto	20	1,000
Wetenhall, John	7, Walcot-terrace	ditto	5	250
Wright, Francis	Great Charlotte-street	ditto	15	1,750
Whyte, John Christie	12, Mincing-lane	merchant	40	2,000
Watherstone, John	Rye-lane, Peckham	gentleman	20	1,000
Wilson, Richard	14, Silver-street	manufacturer	5	250
Wreford, John	Albion-cottage, St. John's Grove, North Brixton	gentleman	10	500
Williams, Henry	Holland-street	merchant	5	250
Vizer, Robert Willis	355, Strand	gentleman	5	250
Wilson, Cornwall Baron	Furnival's-inn	ditto	10	500
Wilson, H. W.	14, West-square, Surrey	merchant	50	2,500
Wollfe, Ernest	Copthall-buildings	ditto	50	2,500
Wilkinson, William	Old Broad-street	ditto	40	2,000
Willis, John	Walcot-place	surgeon	10	500
Ward, William	Craven-street, Strand	engineer	100	5,000
Wood, Weston	65, Baker-street	merchant	100	5,000
Wetenhall, John	Stock Exchange	gentleman	30	1,500
Zwinger, A.	8, Albion-terrace, Wandsworth-road.	ditto	5	250

— Appendix, No. 4. —

No. 4. Petition of Richard Spencer, 15 March 1837.

PETITION OF RICHARD SPENCER, 15 March 1837.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of Richard Spencer, of No. 27, Baldwin-street, City-road, in the County of Middlesex, gentleman,

Sheweth,

That your petitioner, in or about the beginning of the month of February last, was asked by one William Robinson Chamberlain whether your petitioner would earn 10 *s.*, and upon your petitioner replying in the affirmative, the said William Robinson Chamberlain gave your petitioner a card with an address, 24, Bucklersbury, and requested your petitioner's attendance there.

That your petitioner attended accordingly at the office of a surveyor, 24, Bucklersbury, in the city of London, and presented the said card to a gentleman, when he placed before your petitioner

No. 4.
Petition of Richard Spencer, 15 March 1837.

petitioner the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Parliamentary Deeds for your petitioner's signature.

That your petitioner signed the said deeds for 1,500 *l.*, and was paid for so doing the said sum of 10 *s.*

That your petitioner was not a shareholder at the time of executing the said deeds, or was your petitioner ever interested in the said railway company, otherwise than by the receiving the said 10*s.*

That your petitioner signed an admittance of his poverty, and gave it to one Thomas Green, who has petitioned this honourable House, in which your petitioner stated he had signed the said deeds for 1,700 *l.* instead of 1,500 *l.*

Your petitioner therefore prays this honourable House will refer this petition to a Select Committee to inquire into the allegations, with a view to declare your petitioner discharged from his liability on the said Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway deeds.

And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

— Appendix, No. 5. —

PETITION OF THOMAS GREEN.—14 April 1837.

No. 5.
Petition of Thomas Green, 14 April 1837.

To the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of *Thomas Green*, of William-street, New North-road, in the County of Middlesex,

States,

That your petitioner presented a petition to the honourable House, complaining of the conduct of the promoters of the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company, which was ordered to lie on the table.

That a petition was afterwards presented to the honourable House by one Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, amongst other things, stating that certain persons therein named were "paupers and persons in a very distressed situation of life, were induced by one William Robinson Chamberlain to sign the said deeds for the consideration of 10 *s.* each, at the office of a surveyor, living at 24 Bucklersbury, in the city of London, not being shareholders at the same time," which petition was referred to the Deptford and Dover Committee, and to be printed.

That the Directors of the said Company have also presented a petition denying the statements in the said petitions, and charging the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and your petitioner with a most serious offence; viz., with presenting the said petitions for the purpose of extorting money from the said Directors; which, if true, will subject the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton and your petitioner to a severe punishment by the honourable House.

That your petitioner has heard that offers have been made to the said Benjamin Wheeler Poulton not to proceed on the inquiry.

That your petitioner has made further inquiries into the truth of the allegations in the petition of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton, and your petitioner is satisfied of the truth of the same.

That your petitioner has the admittance of one Richard Spencer, who has also petitioned this honourable House, that he is a pauper, and that he signed the said deed for the sum of 10*s.*, not being a shareholder at the time.

That your petitioner will show by evidence that parties who have signed the deed are foreigners, without any regular habitation in this country; that others are clerks in offices and warehouses, without the means of paying on the shares; that others have signed the deeds in ignorance of any liability in so doing; that the subscribers have parted with their shares to a great extent, thereby showing that it is a gambling and speculative undertaking, instead of one for real *bonâ fide* investment.

That the charge contained in the petition of the said Directors, so far as relates to your petitioner is untrue. Your petitioner therefore prays the honourable House will not allow the inquiry ordered on the said petition of Benjamin Wheeler Poulton to be got rid of by any indirect means, and that your petitioner may be allowed to go before the Committee to protect himself from the unjust charges made by the said Directors in their petition against your petitioner; and that this Petition may be referred to the Committee.

And your petitioner, &c.

T. Green.

— Appendix, No. 6. —

No. 6. Letter from W. Gibbs to the Chairman, 27 April 1837.

LETTER from Mr. *William Gibbs* to the Chairman of the Committee on the Westminster and Deptford Railway.

27 April 1837.

I HAVE searched all my papers and memorandums, but am unable to state further than that the payments upon the shares I hold for myself and others were made in different sums, in months of January, February and March last, the last payment being the sum of 240*l.* I cannot state the names of the parties to whom I paid the money, but the greatest part I either paid or transmitted to Mr. Price.

I have no banker, nor do I keep any books of accounts, the deposit on each share being always considered sufficient voucher for the payment. I attended the Committee this day to have given in this statement.

William Gibbs.

— Appendix, No. 7. —

No. 7. Bankers' Receipts and Payments on account of the Company.

AN ACCOUNT of the Sums, ordered to be returned, paid on account of Deposits into the Bank of Messrs. Glyn & Co., on account of the Westminster Bridge, Deptford and Greenwich Railway Company; stating by whom paid in, and in what manner, whether in Cash, Notes or Cheques, and if in Cheques by whom drawn, and upon whom. Also, an Account of the Payments made by the said Bankers on account of the said Company, agreeably to whose Cheques paid, and to whom, as far as is practicable, from the 1st of January 1837 to the time of the Lodgement of the Deed.

Dr.

1837.	Cheques, to Whom Paid.	£.	s.	d.
January - 18	Petty cash - - -	66	3	8
— —	Powell - - -	100	—	—
— 21	Hoppe - - -	500	—	—
— 27	Price - - -	1,000	—	—
— 30	Hoppe - - -	750	—	—
— —	Paine - - -	400	—	—
— 31	Selves - - -	69	16	4
February - 2	Price - - -	750	—	—
— —	Paine - - -	150	—	—

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1837.	Cheques, and on Whom Drawn.	£.	Bank Notes. £.	Amount. £.	
January - 27	Cash - Prescott -	40	- -	1,040	All these sums were paid in by the Company.
— —	Ditto - Cox - -	200	800		
— 30	Ditto - Prescott -	520	- -	520	
— 31	Ditto - - - - -	- -	400	400	
February 2	Ditto - Prescott -	230	- -	230	
— 3	Ditto - ditto -	20	- -	260	
— —	Ditto - Cox - -	240	- -		
— —	Ditto - ditto -	360	- -	360	
— 7	Ditto - Price -	130	- -	130	

The payments are all signed by three of the directors, and countersigned by the secretary. We have no memorandum of the drawers of the cheques paid in as cash.

E. M'Keone,
Clerk to Messrs. Glyn & Co.

— Appendix, No. 8. —

COPY OF PARLIAMENTARY CONTRACT.

No. 8. Parliamentary Contract.

THIS Indenture, made the 27th day of April 1836, between James Ferguson Saunders, of King-street, Portman-square, in the county of Middlesex, Charles Henry Ashley, of Suffolk-lane, London, and of Camberwell, in the county of Surrey, and George Borradaile, of Balham-hill, in the county of Surrey, esqrs., of the first part, Joseph Dudman, of Charlton, in the county of Kent, Joseph Allen, of Gloucester-place, in the county of Middlesex, Thomas Dickason Rotch, of Leyton, in the county of Essex, Henry Eyre, of Bedford-place, in the county of Middlesex, Joseph Thompson, of St. Paul's Church-yard, in the city of London, Western Wood, of Baker-street, in the county of Middlesex, and William Cash, of Peckham, in the county of Surrey, esqrs., of the second part, and the several other persons whose hands are hereunto subscribed and seals affixed, of the third part; witnesseth, that each of them the said parties hereto of the first part doth hereby, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, to the extent only of the sum or amount of money set opposite to his name hereunto subscribed, and not further or otherwise, covenant, promise and agree with and to the said parties hereto of the second part, their executors and administrators, and each of them the said parties hereto of the second part, and also each and every of them the said several persons parties hereto of the third part, doth hereby for himself and herself, and for his and her respective heirs, executors and administrators, and to the extent only of the sum or amount in money set opposite to his and her name hereunto subscribed, covenant, promise, undertake, declare and agree with and to the said parties hereto of the first part, their executors and administrators, in manner following; that is to say, that they the said several persons parties hereto of the first, second and third parts, together with the several other persons who have set their names and affixed their seals to two certain deeds or agreements of the same tenor, and bearing even date herewith, have formed themselves into a company, and have subscribed and do hereby subscribe the several sums set opposite to their respective names, for the purpose of making and establishing a railway, to be called or described by the name of "The Westminster and Deptford Railway," or to be named or described by such other name or names as may at any time hereafter be adopted by the directors for the time being of the said company, the same railway to commence at or from the foot of Westminster Bridge, and adjoining the river Thames, or from certain wharfs and premises adjoining thereto on the Surrey side of the said bridge and river, and to be continued to Deptford, in the county of Kent, with a branch to New Cross, in the county of Surrey, by such course, route or line, and through such parishes, townships or places, as shall be hereafter from time to time selected and approved of by the directors for the time being engaged in conducting and carrying into effect the said undertaking, and also with such other branches from the said main railway to any other railway, town or place, or works lying at a distance from the said main railway, not exceeding 10 miles, by such course, route or line as may hereafter by such directors be deemed necessary or desirable, together with proper wharfs, locks, basins, quays, piers, bridges, depôts, embankments, warehouses and other works, erections and conveniences thereto respectively appertaining, the same respectively to be made, constructed, established and conducted in such manner as shall be provided for by an Act or Acts of Parliament to be applied for in the next ensuing session of Parliament, or in case such Act or Acts shall not be applied for, or if applied for shall not be obtained in the next ensuing session, then by such Act as shall or may be applied for and obtained in any subsequent session of Parliament, in which Act or Acts it is intended to introduce a clause to save harmless the several subscribers and proprietors of shares, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, from being liable in any event for any further or other sum than what shall be respectively subscribed by each of them as aforesaid; and further, that they the said several persons parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall and will well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, the amount set opposite to their respective names and subscribed by each of them respectively, when and as the same shall from time to time be called for under and by virtue of the said Act or Acts of Parliament, and within the time or period which shall or may be limited thereby for that purpose, and not exceeding seven years from the date hereof, and previously to the passing of any such Act shall and will, at such time or times as the said directors for the time being shall appoint, well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, to the bankers or treasurer of the said company for the time being, a deposit not exceeding the sum of 2*l.* for every 50*l.* by them the said parties hereto respectively subscribed; and further, that the said directors for the time being shall have full power and authority to fix upon, and from time to time to alter and vary, as well the site or spot at which the said intended railway or any branch thereof shall commence, as also the site or spot at which the same respectively shall terminate, and the intermediate course, route or line thereof, adhering so far as the main line is concerned to the general deviations of the said line as a line from Westminster to or towards Deptford, and also from time to time to determine if any and what branches shall be made therefrom, and to fix upon, and from time to time to alter and vary the extent and situation of the entrances, termini, wharfs, docks, quays, piers, bridges, depôts, embankments, warehouses and other works, erections and conveniences thereto respectively belonging, and to make and renew applications to Parliament for all or any of such purposes from time to time as they in their discretion shall think

No. 8. Parliamentary Contract.

think proper, and to confine the application or applications to Parliament in the next ensuing or any succeeding session to any portion of the main line, omitting all or any of the branches, and deferring the application for the remainder of such main line, or any part or parts thereof, and for all or any of the branches, to any succeeding sessions or session; and lastly, that they the said several persons parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall and will, in the event of any such Act or Acts of Parliament not being passed into a law, well and truly bear, pay, allow and discharge, out and from the deposits paid and advanced by subscribers to the said undertaking, any expenses already incurred or hereafter to be incurred attending the surveys and estimates for the said railway, branches and work, solicitor and counsels' fees and charges, travelling expenses, agents' charges, and all other costs and charges of every description incident to the said proposed undertaking, and to the application or applications to Parliament for carrying the same into effect, such expenses, costs and charges to be computed and assessed rateably upon the amount of the shares or sum subscribed by each of the said several persons parties to these presents; and it is hereby declared, that the several persons who have subscribed their names and affixed their seals to two other deeds or agreements of the same tenor or date as these presents shall be and be deemed as parties hereto, in like manner as if the whole of the persons who have signed and sealed the said other deeds or agreements had signed and sealed these presents, and the said two deeds or agreements and this deed or agreement shall be deemed and construed to be one deed or agreement only. In witness,

Subscribers' Christian and Surname.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	Signatures.	Seals.	Witnesses.	Number of Shares.	Amount of Subscription.	Deposit Paid.

— Appendix, No. 9. —

No. 9. Subscribers' Agreement.

COPY OF SUBSCRIBERS' AGREEMENT.

WESTMINSTER AND DEPTFORD RAILWAY, 27th April 1836.

1. WE, the several persons whose names and seals are hereunto subscribed and affixed, do hereby declare that we have formed ourselves into a company, and have become and are subscribers for the several shares and sums of money set opposite to our respective names, to an undertaking for the making and constructing a railway, to be called "The Westminster and Deptford Railway," or to be called and described by such other name or names, description or descriptions, as may be resolved upon or adopted at any time hereafter by the directors of the said company.

2. And we do hereby recognise and acknowledge the following persons to be the present directors of the said company; viz., John Allen, Charles Henry Ashley, George Borradaile, William Cash, Joseph Dudman, Henry Eyre, Thomas Dickason Rotch, James Ferguson Saunders, Joseph Thompson and Western Wood, esquires.

3. And we also recognise and acknowledge the said Joseph Allen, Charles Henry Ashley, George Borradaile, Joseph Dudman, Henry Eyre, Thomas Dickason Rotch, James Ferguson Saunders, Joseph Thompson and Western Wood, esquires, to have been a provisional committee for the purpose of promoting the said undertaking. And moreover, we do hereby, in furtherance of the said measure, and in addition to a certain deed or Parliamentary contract and engagement bearing even date herewith, under our respective hands and seals, severally and respectively, and for our several and respective heirs, executors and administrators, promise and agree to and with the said Joseph Allen, Charles Henry Ashley, George Borradaile, William Cash, Joseph Dudman, Henry Eyre, Thomas Dickason Rotch, James Ferguson Saunders, Joseph Thompson and Western Wood, that we severally, and our several and respective executors and administrators, shall and will faithfully conform to and abide by the several rules and regulations hereinafter next mentioned and set forth, until an Act of Parliament shall be obtained for carrying into effect the said undertaking; viz.,

4. That the said directors or any board or meeting thereof, constituted according to the provisions herein contained, shall have full and ample power to carry the said undertaking into effect, and for that purpose to confirm all such measures as have been adopted by the provisional committee of the said undertaking for or towards that purpose, and to pursue all such other measures as the said board of directors may in their judgment consider to be necessary or expedient for obtaining an Act or Acts of Parliament, in the next or any succeeding session of Parliament, for the establishment of the said undertaking, or for resisting and opposing any application to Parliament, or other act, matter or thing, which may be made

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made or done by any other company or person whatsoever, and which shall appear to the directors of this company to impede or interfere with the said undertaking.

5. That the majority of members at any meeting of board of directors (such meeting consisting of not less than three members) shall bind all the members, whether present or absent; and the chairman or other member presiding at any meeting of board of directors shall, in addition to his vote as a director, have a casting vote.

6. That the said board of directors shall have power from time to time to add to its number from among the subscribers to the undertaking holding each 20 shares at the least, and to supply any vacancies that may occur in the board, and also to appoint committees of management in Greenwich, Deptford, Camberwell, or elsewhere, delegating to such committees of management such duties and powers, and to be exercised under such circumstances and for such period of time, as the said directors may from time to time think proper.

7. That the said directors shall have full power to appoint, suspend, or remove, and reappoint, any and every such banker, solicitor, engineer, secretary, surveyor, clerk, agent, servant and workman, or other officer, as may in the judgment of the said directors be required for the better carrying into effect the said undertaking.

8. That the directors shall have full power to pay and allow, out of the deposits hereinafter provided to be paid, all costs, charges and expenses which have been incurred for surveys, plans, estimates or otherwise, for the purpose of making an application to Parliament, or any other act, matter or thing which the said directors shall think proper to resist or oppose as impeding or interfering with the said undertaking, and also all salaries, recompences and engagements which the said provisional committee or board may have engaged or shall engage or be liable to pay, on the formation or in the management or progress or in the disposal of the shares of the said undertaking.

9. That the directors shall have full power to make and enter into all such contracts and agreements with landowners and all other persons as they shall think proper, concerning the said undertaking, and to order and direct all other matters incident to the applications for and soliciting the proposed Act or Acts of Parliament, and to the said undertaking, and to the carrying the same into effect.

10. That the directors shall have full power from time to time to make and establish all such bye-laws as they may think necessary or expedient for the good government of themselves or any sub or assistant committee.

11. That 700,000 *l.* shall be the capital of the said undertaking; but in case the directors shall be of opinion that four sets of lines of railway are expedient and necessary, and the said capital should not be sufficient for that purpose, then the directors shall be at liberty to seek and procure to be inserted in the said Act or Acts so to be applied for as aforesaid, all necessary powers for raising such further or additional capital, by the issuing or creating of new shares, or in such other manner as they may deem most advisable.

12. That a deposit of 2 *l.* per share shall be paid by each subscriber at the time of his executing this agreement, but that no further deposit or sum shall be called for on account of expenses or otherwise until the proposed Act or Acts of Parliament shall be obtained.

Lastly, That the several persons who have subscribed their names and affixed their seals to two other deeds or agreements of the same tenor and date as these presents, shall be and be deemed as parties hereto, in like manner as if the whole of the persons who have signed and sealed the said other deeds and agreements had signed and sealed these presents; and the whole of the said two deeds or agreements and this deed or agreement shall be deemed and construed to be one deed or agreement only.

Subscribers' Christian and Surnames.	Place of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	Signature.	Seal.	Number of Shares.	Account of Subscription.	Deposit Paid.

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LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS.

SIGNATURE of each SUBSCRIBER.	Places of Abode.	Quality or Calling.	Seals.	WITNESSES.	Number of Shares.	Amount of Sub-scription.	Deposit Paid.
						£.	£.
James F. Saunders -	King-street, Portman-square.	gentleman -	(L. S.)	- - Geo. Frederick Gritton, clerk, 16, Millman-st., Guildford-street.	20	1,000	40
Charles Henry Ashley	Camberwell-grove -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
G. A. Barker - -	East-street - - -	agent - -	—	ditto - -	2	100	4
George Borradaile -	Balham - - -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Joseph Dudman -	Charlton, Kent - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Thomas D. Rotch -	Leyton, Essex - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Joseph Allen - -	Upper Gloucester-place	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Henry Eyre - -	Bedford-place, Blooms-bury-square.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Joseph Thompson -	7, Old Change - -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Western Wood - -	65, Baker-street - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
William Cash - -	Peckham-rye - -	woollen-merchant	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
James Taylor - -	43, Lombard-street -	fishmonger -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
John Smith - -	50, Bartholomew-close -	smith - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
George Graham - -	11, Cheapside - -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Henry Collinson -	17, Bedford-place, Rus-sell-square.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Henry Blain - -	51, Lime-street, and Peckham.	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	3	150	6
Thomas Cole - -	156, Leadenhall-street -	bookseller -	—	ditto - -	35	1,750	70
Thomas Turner - -	14, South-sq., Gray's-inn	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
Edward Fred. Gooch -	21, Fenchurch-street -	stationer - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
George Cole - -	172, Regent-street -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Jos. Robertson Raines	92, Aldersgate-street -	surgeon - -	—	ditto - -	70	3,500	140
John Nelson M'Kenzie	2, Dolphin-place - -	stationer - -	—	ditto - -	3	150	6
Alfred Barnes - -	1, Canonbury-terrace -	stock-broker -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Charles Musgrave -	63, Carey-street - -	stationer - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Theophilus Green -	Mabledon-place - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
A. Zwinger - -	8, Albion-terr., Wands-worth-road.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Charles F. Mathew -	10, Angel-court - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
James Robbins - -	46, Old Change - -	lace manufacturer	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Thomas Carter - -	32, Gordon-st., Gordon-square.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Wm. Robinson Cham-berlain.	21, Surrey-grove, Kent-road.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
William Benson - -	6, Chandler's-pl., Kent-road.	provision agent -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
John Hovell Triston -	38, Nicholas-lane - -	solicitor - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Robert Perkins - -	23, Gloucester-street -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Alfred Wilson - -	Stamford-hill - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Walter Watts - -	7, John-street, Bedford-row.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
James Parkin - -	Ranelagh-grove - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
James Henry Lindsay	Laurence Pountney-place	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Wm. Algernon Piercy	15, Elder-st., Spital-sq.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Joseph Scott - -	24, Basinghall-street -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	60	3,000	120
John Edward Stokes -	Hemsley-terrace, Hack-ney.	broker - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
William Wiggins White	Sweeting's-rents - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Robert Pearce - -	Pedler's-acre, Lambeth	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Richard Gray - -	South Ville, Wands-worth-road.	stockbroker -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Peter de Vial - -	10, Dalby-terrace -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	60	3,000	120
John Titterton - -	Brixton - - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Charles Craik - -	11, Cheapside - -	clerk - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Henry Rogers - -	Consol Office, Bank -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Henry Power - -	Wandsworth - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Fredcrick Freshfield -	20, Throgmorton-street	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Wolfenden Kenny -	- ditto - - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
George Titterton -	141, Lambeth walk -	wine-merchant -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
H. Surmon - -	Long-lane, Smithfield -	veterinary surgeon	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50

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Henry Pinckard -	Great Russell - street, Bloomsbury.	merchant - -	(L. S.)	Geo. F. Gritton	10	500	20
Philip Palmer - -	118, St. Martin's-lane -	glass-merchant -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Frederick Boyle - -	8, Newton-terrace, Kennington-green.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
William Measam -	12, Aldgate - -	hatter - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
Richard Harland -	4, Albany-street - -	wine merchant -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Thomas Manning -	22, New Ormond-street	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
John Wetenhall -	7, Walcot-terrace, Lambeth.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
George Gillett - -	94, Watling-street -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	150	7,500	300
Robert Johnston -	Stock Exchange - -	stockbroker -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Charles Robinson -	York - - - -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	100	5,000	200
Jon^{n} Beilby - -	- ditto - - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Henry Cooper - -	8, St. Thomas - street, Southwark.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Ann Hogard - -	Waterloo-place - -	widow - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
Henry Rochas - -	4, Burton-crescent -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
Francis Wright - -	16, Great Charlotte-st. -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
Frederick Mitchell -	Coburg-road, Camberwell.	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
William Dalton - -	Little Abingdon-street -	coal-merchant -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Alexander Delisser -	1, Woburn-place - -	surgeon - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Robert Barton - -	22, Connaught-terrace -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	115	5,750	230
John Bragg - -	6, Throgmorton-street -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
A. De Horne - -	2, Warnford-court -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	60	3,000	120
James Christie Whyte	12, Mincing-lane -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
David Aguilar - -	5, Wickham-place -	agent - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Henry Jesson Magrath	65, Bread-st., Cheapside	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	5	250	10
Charles Fraser - -	3, Buckingham - place, Old Kent-road.	agent - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
Henry Porter - -	U. University Club -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
William Foster - -	8, Castle - alley, Royal Exchange.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
John Vaughton - -	48, Prospect - place, Southwark.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
James Gairdner -	Prospect - place, Cambridge Heath.	ditto - -	—	F. H. Paine -	50	2,500	100
John Crosby Henderson.	55, Baldwin-street, City-road.	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Joseph Kendult - -	13, East - terrace, St. George's-road.	ditto - -	—	ditto -	25	1,250	50
Richard Spencer -	Baldwin-street - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Benjamin Day - -	6, Jewin-st., Aldersgate	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Charles Fraser - -	11, Lime-street-square	broker - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
John Henry Morgan -	13, Yardley-street -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
George Broad - -	Peckham - - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	80	4,000	160
Francis Newcomb -	Old Kent-road - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
George Henry Andrews	Kennington - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	70	3,500	140
James Andrews -	- ditto - - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
John Haley - -	8, Thomas-street -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Thomas A. Gore -	Spitalfields - -	surgeon - -	—	ditto - -	40	2,000	80
R. Phillips - -	8, Brunswick - street, Clerkenwell.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50
M. R. Garrott - -	City-road - - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Robert Fry - -	Stafford-place - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Samuel Crocker -	15, Hemming's-row -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
William Simpson -	9, Oxford-street - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50
R. Rickards - -	Temple-place, Hackney	builder - -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Henry Penny - -	Bell-alley, Coleman-st.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50
W. R. Chamberlain -	21, Surrey-grove - -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
R. Goring Thomas -	Tooting, Surrey - -	esquire - -	—	Geo. F. Gritton	50	2,500	100
Morgan Thomas -	Gate House, Sussex -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	100	5,000	200
Francis Sherriff - -	94, Watling-street -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	150	7,500	300
John Campbell - -	76, Lombard-street -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50
Edmund Addison -	- ditto - - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
John Turner Clement	6, Adelaide-place -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
John Watherston -	Rye-lane, Peckham -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40
John Shearman - -	Russell House, Brighton	esquire - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
Robert Sutton, jun. -	7, Castle-alley, Royal Exchange.	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	100	5,000	200
Geo. W. Morrison -	56, Basinghall street -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	10	500	20
T. Treherne Thomas -	Tooting Lodge, Surrey	esquire - -	—	ditto - -	100	500	200
Tom Borradaile - -	20, King's Arms-yard -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	30	1,500	60
Thomas Barnewell -	4, Northwick-terrace -	merchant - -	—	ditto - -	20	1,000	40

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Rd Annesley Sparkes	North End, Fulham	merchant	(L. S.)	Geo. F. Gritton	10	500	20
William Mitcheler	2, York-road, Lambeth	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
H. Maberson Higgins	17, Avenue-road, Regent's Park.	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
Henry Thurston	Camberwell, Surrey	ditto	—	ditto	30	1,500	60
John Lawson	Bowness House, Kennington-lane.	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
William Stevenson	13, Angel-court, Throgmorton-street.	ditto	—	ditto	15	750	30
Fred. Hogard	3, New Inn	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
J. Cooper	3, Northampton-square	ditto	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Felix Troubat	84, Gracechurch-street	merchant	—	ditto	10	500	20
C. W. Chapman	Southampton-street, Peckham.	broker	—	ditto	10	500	20
S. Tucker	Wandsworth	ditto	—	ditto	30	1,500	60
H. Hendriks	Grove House, Blackheath.	merchant	—	ditto	10	500	20
Henry John Brookes	Clapham	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
Stafford Northcote	Doughty-street	ditto	—	ditto	40	2,000	80
Woolfrey Meungatch	46, Old Change	ditto	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
Richard Blackmore	Bomrey Hall, Hackney	gentleman	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Ambrose Moore	Milk-street, Cheapside	silk-manufacturer	—	ditto	10	500	20
John B. Jackson	6, Watling-street	warehouseman	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Richard M'Nally	3, Walbrook	merchant	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
William Johnstone	4, Camden-street, Hampstead-road.	M. D.	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Thomas Adams	32, Lower East Smithfield.	warehouseman	—	ditto	15	750	30
John Stewart	Winchester House, Broad-street.	merchant	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Samuel Beddom	Mansion-house	common cryer	—	ditto	8	400	16
Edward Bates	39, Throgmorton-street	gentleman	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Richard Wilson	14, Silver-street	manufacturer	—	ditto	5	250	10
S. F. Stephens	7, Old Broad-street	broker	—	ditto	30	1,500	60
Chas. Andrew Amber	5, Hanover-street, Hanover-square.	gentleman	—	ditto	75	3,750	150
William Reeve	10, John-street, Adelphi	ditto	—	ditto	5	250	10
Thomas Francis	27, Surrey-square	stockbroker	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
Thomas Godwin	5, Angel-court	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
John Wreford	Albion Cottage, St. John's-grove, North Brixton.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Feltham	42, Lombard-street	dist. agent	—	ditto	30	1,500	60
Hubert Mortimer	Upper Tooting	merchant	—	ditto	15	750	30
Alexander Mann	Peckham-grove	gentleman	—	ditto	5	250	10
Rowland Jay Burne	38, Sidmouth-street, Regent-square.	ditto	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
Benjamin W. Poulton	Staines-row, Hounslow	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
William Dorrington	Harleyford-street	agent	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Robert Ogden	51, Paddington-street	gentleman	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Gilbert Ansley	6, Torrington-place	ditto	—	ditto	15	750	30
William Everett	92, Royal Exchange	newsman	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Edward Gye	Regent-street, Lambeth	clerk	—	ditto	5	250	10
Thomas John Blake	20, Enan-street, Tower-hill.	broker	—	ditto	5	250	10
Josh Bannister	Willow Cottages, Canonbury.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
James Cole	11, Angel-court	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
Martha Sparrow	3, Charles-place, East-street, Walworth.	widow	—	ditto	10	500	20
Thomas Joyce	21, Bury-street, Bloomsbury.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
G. R. Brown	6, Lee-terrace, Blackheath.	merchant	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Thomas Smethurst	Clapham Rise	surgeon	—	ditto	5	250	10
Thomas Thorp	George-street	merchant	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
William Heath	3, Charlotte-row	solicitor	—	ditto	5	250	10
Frederick Langley	4, Taunton-place, Regent's Park.	gentleman	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
Charles Stewart	34, St. James's-street	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Barnett	Park-place, Peckham	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
Samuel J. Keefe	4, Bell's-building's, Salisbury-square.	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
Henry Stothert	Bath	engineer	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Thomas Hyde	157, Fenchurch-street	clerk	—	ditto	5	250	10

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Catherine Neill	81, Lisson-grove	spinster	(L. S.)	Geo. F. Gritton	5	250	10
James Hays	Newgate-street	surgeon	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Thomas Bensusan	Lombard-street	merchant	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Joseph Hernan	39, Princes-road, Kennington.	gentleman	—	ditto	5	250	10
William Leaf	Parkhill, Streatham	merchant	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
Stanislaus Darthez	15, Austin Friars	ditto	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
Ed. Boulter	Maubey-place, Lambeth	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Jackson	14, Dorset-place, New North-road.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Baines	Cumberland Cottage, Middle-road, Brixton.	surveyor	—	ditto	5	250	10
Henry Williams	Holland-street	merchant	—	ditto	5	250	10
Robert Willis Vizer	355, Strand	gentleman	—	ditto	5	250	10
George Upton	Queen-street, Cheapside	lamp-maker	—	ditto	10	500	20
Monk Sprot	Riddell, Roxburgh	gentleman	—	ditto	75	3,750	150
Benjamin Pride	Honduras Wharf	merchant	—	ditto	10	500	20
Cornwell Baron Wilson	8, Furnival's Inn	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
Richard Burton	Dulwich	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
Robert Walls Stephens	17, York-place	merchant	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
William Eubank	3, Arundel-street	gentleman	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
William Hutchenell	14, Penton-place, Walworth.	ditto	—	ditto	5	250	10
James Ayres	27, Wharf, City-road	iron-merchant	—	ditto	15	750	30
Samuel Bayley	95, Wood-street, City	silk-merchant	—	ditto	15	750	30
Thomas Richards	Clarence-place, Camberwell.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
W. H. Stone	6, Gutter-lane	merchant	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
George Phillips	Haverfordwest	surgeon	—	ditto	10	500	20
H. W. Wilton	14, West-square, Surrey	merchant	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
J. M. Rench	Gorry-hill, Surrey	ditto	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Mills	Bromley, Kent	lieut.-colonel	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
John Sprot	Oriental Club	gentleman	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
Ernst Watts	Copthall-buildings	merchant	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
Richard Gardner	7, Brunswick-square	gentleman	—	ditto	2	100	4
J. H. Duffill	35, Throgmorton-street	ditto	—	ditto	25	1,250	50
Peter Anderson	29, Chester place, Kensington.	ditto	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
W. H. Land	Bristol	broker	—	ditto	20	1,000	40
Edmund Vincent	Wilmington, Kent	esquire	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
William Wilkinson	Old Broad-street	merchant	—	ditto	40	2,000	80
Charles Coutts	Grove House, Clifton, Bristol.	gentleman	—	ditto	10	500	20
John Willis	41, Walcot-place	surgeon	—	ditto	10	500	20
William Smethurst	3, Knight's-place, Wandsworth-road.	gentleman	—	ditto	3	150	6
James Brookman	10, Berners-street, Oxford-street.	ditto	—	ditto	15	750	30
Thomas Smyley	Birmingham	leather-dealer	—	ditto	30	1,500	60
Samuel Fisher, Rev.	Aylsham	clerk	—	ditto	10	500	20
Edward Impey	Cheltenham	gentleman	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
W. Ward	26, Craven-street, Strand	engineer	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
C. Edgley Hoppe	Bridewell Precinct	coal-merchant	—	ditto	75	3,750	150
John Smith	Doddington-grove	gentleman	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
James Francis Edgley	48, Mark-lane	wine-merchant	—	ditto	10	500	20
Thomas Cutler	63, Margaret-street, Cavendish-square.	physician	—	ditto	50	2,500	100
George Mooke	15, Clifford's Inn	gentleman	—	ditto	40	2,000	80
Joseph Hoppe	9, Water-street	coal-merchant	—	ditto	65	3,250	130
Joseph Allen	Upper Gloucester-place	gentleman	—	ditto	80	4,000	160
C. H. Ashley	Camberwell-grove	ditto	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
J. H. Clayton	20, Great James-street	ditto	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
P. F. Clayton	4, Little James-street	ditto	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
J. Ireland	25, Robert-street, Bedford-row.	ditto	—	ditto	80	4,000	160
Samuel George Fox	2, Blandford-street	stationer	—	ditto	40	2,000	80
Western Wood	65, Baker-street	merchant	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
G. Searle	Stangate	boat-builder	—	ditto	35	1,750	70
William Eubank	3, Arundel-street	gentleman	—	ditto	100	5,000	200
Joseph Thompson	7, Old Change	merchant	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
C. H. Lindsay	13, Montagu-street	gentleman	—	H. Haslam	35	1,750	70
J. W. Duffill	Homerton	ditto	—	ditto	200	10,000	400
John Howard Kyan	Midhurst	ditto	—	ditto	60	3,000	120
George A. Paine	High-street, Bloomsbury	ditto	—	ditto	20	1,000	40

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William Allinson -	Dalston - - -	wine-merchant -	—	ditto - -	25	1,250	50
William Piercy - -	7, Capel-court - -	gentleman -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
John Jackson - -	14, Dorset-crescent -	ditto - -	—	ditto - -	50	2,500	100
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Richard Lee - -	1, Bartholomew-lane -	jobber - -	—	ditto - -	15	750	30
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